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Twenty Thousand Intelligent Negroes Ready to Go—Belgium Wants a Good Class of Emigrants for the Congo—Daniels, the Promoter, Reported by a Detective to be "All Right."

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 23.—J. H. Daniels, formerly a New Yorker, but recently a resident of Missouri, has a plan for the removal of a large number of the negroes of the South to the Congo Free State and other African countries. Mr. Daniels has begun work on his scheme, and at this time feels very much encouraged over its promise of success. He has written to Alfred Legbait, the Belgian minister and envoy extraordinary at Washington, asking him what inducements the Belgian government would offer a colony of some 20,000 intelligent negro emigrants from Alabama and Georgia for settlement in the Congo Free State. The minister replied that no such proposition had ever been made before, and he could not say positively what his government's policy in the matter would be. He said he thought the chances were that the Congo government would furnish transportation to a good class of emigrants. He asked Mr. Daniels to favor him with particulars, what sort of tradesmen, whether some would serve as soldiers, etc. Mr. Daniels replied that he could furnish as many emigrants as the Congo State might want. They would all be good citizens and almost every trade and profession would be represented among them. A competent detective made an investigation and reported that Daniels was "all right."

World's Fair Buildings.

Chicago, Ills., Dec. 23.—Full details of the final settlement between the South Park board and the World's Fair was arranged yesterday. The Park commissioners are to get $200,000 for tearing down the buildings, the money to be paid at once.

It Was Gory.

Corrillos, N. M., Dec. 23.—A race war has broken out at Laguana dal Gallo, Lincoln County. A dispute arose between Mexicans and Americans over the ownership of a herd of sheep. In a battle that followed five Americans and 19 Mexicans were killed.

A Very White Negro.

New Orleans, Dec. 23.—Thomy Lafon, the millionaire colored real-estate owner, died yesterday, aged 84. He was educated abroad, and was a fluent talker in English, French and Spanish. Although he was of olive complexion and easily mistaken for a Caucasian, especially on account of his dress and manners, he did not deny his race and lived a good life. This year he built a colored orphan asylum and a home for colored aged and infirm. He never married and his aged sister and only relative is also on her deathbed. Lafon owned houses in every section of the city. His wealth is estimated as $8,000,000.

Due at Honolulu To-Day.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 23.—The steamship Alameda is due at Honolulu to-day with dispatches for Minister Willis, which were prepared at the state department on the 13th and telegraphed to this city. It is assumed, however, that Minister Willis is already advised of the latest policy of the administration, as the cutter Corwin should have reached Honolulu on Monday. Advices by the steamer leaving that port to-day are anxiously awaited by those concerned in the Hawaiian situation.

Russian Spies in America.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 23.—Fifteen spies are said to be on the pay roll of the Russian embassy in this city, their duties being to watch revolutionary exiles in different parts of the country, report their movements and ascertain the names and addresses of those in their native country with whom they correspond. Some of these spies are continually on the move, their orders being transmitted to them through a secret bureau in New York. These facts have been brought out by the recent suicide in New York of a once wealthy Russian Pole, who was dogged from place to place until his life became a burden. An attache of the Russian legation is said to have boasted the other night, while with a convivial company at a prominent hotel, that the system of espionage was so complete and its ramifications so widespread that there was hardly a prominent exile in the country whose daily movements could escape report.

A Bullet in the Mouth.

New York, Dec. 23.—L. D. Marstetter, a wealthy retired merchant who has been missing since Thursday, was found dead this morning in a vacant flat of a house being built at 653 Boulevard, of which he was owner. He committed suicide by shooting himself in the mouth.

A Captured Embezzler.

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—William McConnell, who is wanted in this city for defrauding W. and J. Sloane of $25,000, will not appear for trial quite so soon as was expected. Detective Ross, who left New York for San Francisco with McConnell in his custody several days ago, was stopped yesterday at Winnemucca, Nevada. McConnell's attorney instituted habeas corpus proceedings at that point and McConnell will remain there pending further developments. McConnell acted as agent of W. and J. Sloane & Co., at Spokane, Washington. While there it is alleged he obtained $25,000 worth of goods by false pretenses and appropriated them to his own use. He was arrested in New York while aboard a steamer which was to sail that day for Europe.

THAT MORIBUND LEAGUE.

The Poor Old Imp. Fed. Fad—The Crofter Failure.

London, Dec. 23.—A movement to reorganize the central body of the Imperial Federation League will be made at once. The London branch, which lately resolved to disband, issued a circular to-day with a view to reconstruction of the league. The basis of the new arrangement is commercial union between Great Britain and the colonies. The first aim of the new regime will be the holding of periodical conferences.

Although Sanford Fleming, C. M. G., of Ottawa, has not yet arrived in London to urge his cable scheme, but is still in Paris, the matter is much discussed here. The colonial party is confident that imperial authorities will ultimately subsidize the cable.

The Morning Post, in an editorial today, regrets the partial failure of the crofter scheme at Saltcoats, through the fault of the settlers, but sees no reason to condemn the principle of state-aided emigration. The Post contends the lesson proves that the first thought henceforth must be the character of the settlers sent out. The Edinburgh Scotsman has a leader in the same tenor. It thinks that to hesitate to enforce the repayment of advances made to settlers would be folly.

CROFTER EMIGRANTS.

Money Advanced to be Recovered at Law if Necessary.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—A special cable today says the colonization board has instructed its Manitoba agent to take proceedings if necessary to recover advances to state-aided crofters. None of these people living at Saltcoats, Killarney and other settlements in the Northwest have repaid any of the money advanced them. In view of Tupper's report, which certainly does not show the crofters to be in a flourishing condition, it was thought they were holding their own. Sir George Trevelyan will grant an extension of time for the re-payment of the funds to the British government and for the present will desist from further colonization schemes. The English and Scotch press regret the failure of the crofters to pay their obligations, but do not see the necessity of giving up state-aided emigration.

A telegram was received here last night stating that Major John Stewart, brother of McLeod Stewart, died suddenly at Calgary. He was manager of the anthracite coal business there. The body will be brought here.

Hon. McKenzie Bowell left the Winnipeg train at Smith's Falls on Wednesday evening for Toronto and Belleville, where he will spend Christmas.

A Fatal Collapse.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 23.—A cave-in occurred at Mulhall station early this morning, where the Carnegie steel company are erecting a large furnace. About 20 men were at work in the hearth. Fortunately all had sufficient warning to escape from the works except John Edic, a Hungarian, who was killed, and John Horski, who was fatally injured.

It is now learned that five men were entombed by the cave-in. One was dead when taken out and four are very badly injured and may die. Nine others are missing, but it is believed they escaped. The four men reported injured, it is later learned, will recover. The nine missing men escaped injury, but were so badly frightened they ran home.

The Brazilian Revolution.

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 23.—The report that Rio de Janeiro had surrendered to insurgent forces and the Peixoto is in the hands of his enemies is without the slightest foundation. In fact a sensation more ridiculous could not have been attempted at this time.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 23.—A telegram has been received at the state department. It came from Consul-General Towns, and contained no mention of an attack on Rio. It says: "Arrangements have been made by which foreign merchantmen arriving at, or departing from Rio, will be assigned certain points outside the line of fire where cargoes may be received and discharged in safety, under protection of war vessels of their respective countries."

Montevideo, Dec. 23.—News has just been received here of a fight which began on Wednesday between the government troops and the insurgent forces from Santa Catharina. General Saraiva's men had joined with those under Salgado, making a total of 8000. The fighting took place in Itajahy, near Desterro, the insurgent divisions being led by Generals Spinheiro, Luna and Martine. According to last reports received here the rebels had lost 400 men, but had the government troops so badly penned in that surrender seemed unavoidable. The rebels are well armed, having lately received 200 rifles brought down from Rio on board the Aquidaban.

Another of Mello's steamers, the Mellero, is reported ashore at Narra, near Itajahy. While she was reconnoitering the harbor entrance when she ran aground the government force of artillery there, which has 40 guns, opened fire upon her and kept up the cannonade till all her crew were killed.

American News.

Brooklyn, Dec. 23.—Vail, ex-cashier of the defunct Commercial Bank, was this morning released on $30,000 bail. It is said he has been indicted on two charges of perjury in the third degree.

Philadelphia, Dec. 23.—Ex-Senator Edmunds, when interviewed to-day on the Hawaiian question declared that the appointment of Blount was illegal and unprecedented.

To-Night
At Russell & McDonald's.

CODINA AND PALLAS

Startling Confessions Made by the Perpetrator

OF THE BARCELONA THEATRE OUTRAGE

He Was to Have Killed General Martinez de Campos

But His Nerve Failed When He Saw the Soldiers—Pallas Was also Cowed—The Bomb Thrown There Would Have Slain Hundreds—Codina Avenged Pallas' Death.

Barcelona, Dec. 23.—Jose Codina, the anarchist, who has already confessed to throwing the bomb which caused upwards of thirty deaths in the Lyceum theatre, says he was selected by the anarchist group to assassinate General Campos in September last. It was his intention to murder the general while he was reviewing the troops, but when the troops arrived Codina says his courage failed for the reason that he realized if he threw the bomb into the crowd surrounding the general he would have killed and wounded hundreds of persons. He had the bomb ready to throw, but the thought of the many innocent persons who would suffer restrained him. Pallas, another anarchist, who was with him, urged Codina to throw the bomb and finally snatched the bomb from his hand saying, "You are no good." Pallas's nerves, however, were evidently unstrung by the wrangle for he hesitated to throw the bomb. Had he thrown it as he originally intended it would have killed the general. Pallas up to the time of his execution declared that he alone was responsible for the attempt to assassinate de Campos. Shortly after Pallas was shot Codina began his preparations to avenge his comrade's death, and the explosion at the Lyceum was his method of effecting this purpose.

Beaten With a Poker.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Another case of cruelty was brought before Mr. Marshall of the S. P. W. C. to-day. A little boy named Desmarais showed the policeman and the recorder one of his legs, which was black and blue, the result of a bruise received with a poker in the hands of his stepmother.

Eastern Canada.

Woodstock, Ont., Dec. 23.—Shortly after the Tucker Comedy company had closed its performance and the audience had dispersed, the rear portion of the new opera house was discovered to be on fire. The flames spread quickly and the whole building will be a total loss. The adjoining warerooms of Jas. Hay & Co. were also damaged.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Laval university is about to erect new buildings to cost $150,000 on the ground given by the seminary. The buildings will be completed in two years and are for the faculties of law and medicine.

Toronto, Dec. 23.—The 2-year-old daughter of Dr. Norman Allan, city medical health officer, fell into an open fire grate yesterday and was burned so badly that she died last night.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Ingersoll, Coyne & Co., dry goods have assigned. Liabilities, $25,000; estimated assets, $20,000.

Monsieur de Paris Afraid.

Paris, Dec. 23.—Diebler, the public executioner of France, otherwise Monsieur de Paris, has been threatened that he will be blown up if he execute Vaillant, the bomb-thrower. Diebler fears the threats will be put into execution and has asked to be allowed to resign.

Biscay's Stormy Bay.

London, Dec. 23.—A severe storm is raging in the Bay of Biscay. Several vessels have been wrecked, others damaged. At the port of Borneo, nine members of the crew of one vessel were drowned.

Considering it Well.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 23.—At 2:40 p. m. to-day the jury in the Chinese conspiracy case, who retired at 10:30 last night, were still out, a verdict not having been reached.

The Williams Murders.

Toronto Dec. 23.—Although the murderer of Mr. and Mrs. Williams has not yet been caught, the police say they are very close on his track. They say he left the city on foot on Thursday. An important letter was found in Williams' house unopened yesterday. It is now thought the murders were committed by a professional burglar, and that only robbery was intended, but that murder followed resistance.

A Good Story of Browning.

[Lord Coleridge's lecture on "Education and Instruction," delivered last June in the Salt Schools, Shipley, Yorkshire, is published in the Contemporary Review. Included in the article is Lord Coleridge's story of Browning. "He once rebuked me in a way which I relate for the comfort of those small, striving souls who watch his flights and try to follow his course in vain, till he disappears from them in the clouds. He was so kind as to give me many of his volumes, and he knew I honestly read them. Soon after one had thus been given me he asked me how I liked it. I replied that what I could understand I heartily admired and that parts of it I thought ought to be immortal; but that as to much of it I really could not tell whether I admired it or not, as I could not understand it. "Ah, well," he said, "if a reader of your calibre understands 10 per cent. of what I write I think he ought to be content."

To-Night
At Russell & McDonald's.

'FRISCO'S COMING FAIR.

Exhibits Now on the Way From Various Points.

San Francisco, Dec. 22.—Col. Craig'e Sharp, commissioner at large for the exposition, has returned from a tour of Washington, Montana, Idaho, Utah and British Columbia. Col. Sharp's mission was undertaken under the auspices of the executive committee of the exposition in response to numerous inquiries which had been received by the secretary as to space in the exposition building and grounds, the advantages offered by the exposition and its promise of success. Col. Sharp first went to Portland, and the result of his visit there has been that Oregon is now erecting a building of her own and will send it down in portions as soon as completed. In the state of Washington Col. Sharp found the old civic rivalry between Tacoma, Seattle and other cities of the state operating sadly against a united exhibit of the resources of that thriving commonwealth, and the best that can be relied on from that direction will probably be a mining exhibit from Spokane and a few other individual exhibits from other towns on the Sound. In Montana and Idaho Col. Sharp found every one fully awake to the advantages of the exposition, though to them the time of preparation seemed too short. Montana, however, has already secured space in the mechanical art building for the mining exhibit which she had at Chicago. The people of Utah are straining every nerve to make a very elaborate mining and agricultural exhibit, and in British Columbia a great many leading manufacturers are entertaining the idea of coming before it is too late. Col. Sharp says that nearly every person he talked with is contemplating a visit to the exposition.

Vicomte de Cornely, assistant director general and chief of the foreign department, to-day received a telegram from Chicago to the effect that the grand facade which is to form the entrance to the French section at the exposition has been taken down from its position in Chicago and is ready packed for immediate shipment to San Francisco, also that the Sevres pavilion is also packed, and that these, together with the exhibits of the entire French section were being shipped at the time the telegram was written. There will be 12 carloads of French exhibits, and they are expected to reach San Francisco some time next week.

At the request of a number of leading concessionaires of the exposition, Vicomte Valcourt de Vermont, president of the Oriental Concession Company, has issued a call for a meeting of the concessionaires to be held on Tuesday next with a view to forming a concessionaires to be held on Tuesday next with a view of forming a concessionaires club. A club of this kind was one of the features of the Chicago exposition, and was found to be a very useful adjunct to the administration. Its organization is by no means due to any desire on the part of the concessionaires to antagonize the power of the exposition, but on the other hand it has been satisfactorily proved in Chicago that the effect of the club has been to greatly facilitate business arrangements between the exposition authorities and the concessionaires represented. The result would be that if the department of concessions has to deal with each concessionaire their business would be badly muddled, whereas when the concessionaires club shall have been formed and its committees shall have been appointed the different matters of business which may come up from time to time can be handled much more satisfactorily.

The Brazilian War.

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 22.—While part of the insurgent fleet was proceeding along the coast to the state of Rio de Janeiro, a few days ago, three officers deserted their ships. They have been arrested by the government and have given considerable information regarding the insurgents' forces. Admiral da Gama, the monarchist, commands the insurgent fleet. Manacangue island, which is directly north of Armacao Point, was taken from the insurgents the night before last after a sharp fight. The whole insurgent fleet kept up a hot fire on the government forces, but succeeded only in somewhat delaying the capture. The Nitheroki side of the harbor is now in possession of the government. Admiral Mello, it is said, has done great harm to the insurgent cause by his open advocacy of the restoration of the empire. The insurgent forces were demoralized by his manifesto in favor of the monarchy and many of the insurgent fleet lost all sympathy with the cause. The government forces now hold Boa Jesu, Governador and Monacangue islands. These important gains have completed the circle of fire around the insurgent forts, Villegagnon and Cobras.

The Italian Causalities.

Rome, Dec. 22.—Late this evening it was learned that three Italian officers and more than 100 soldiers of the Italian army were killed in the battle with the Dervishes. Most of the soldiers who were killed were natives. Among those who were shot dead on the field was Hamed Ali, one of the commanders of the dervishes in the battle at Metammeho in January, 1885. Gen. Baritteri, governor of Italy's Red Sea colony, told the United Press correspondent tonight that he would start for the Massowah to-morrow. Although he does not expect any more trouble with the dervishes in the near future, he pointed out the necessity of occupying Kassala at once.

The Cronin Murder.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 22.—Lizzie Foy left the witness stand temporarily in Judge Tuthill's court room this evening with the reputation of being the most sensational witness yet produced by the state against Daniel Coughlin, and with the conviction in the minds of many disinterested people who heard her story that she had placed the prisoner much nearer the gallows than he ever was before. She was credited by the fair-minded with being far from the "crazy, wild-eyed dreamer" that the lawyers for the defense and Coughlin's friends called her. Mrs. Foy showed herself to be a remarkable woman. She created the impression that something besides the interests of right and justice prompted her to point the finger of accusation at Daniel Coughlin. Attorney Scanlan examined her for the state. She dragged her husband and Sam Foy into the conspiracy, as a man who had his all at stake, and she also brought in Cunnea and McCann, the last name bing a new one in the famous case. She introduced the name of Alexander Sullivan, the well-known lawyer. She was on the stand part of the morning and all the afternoon, yet she did not break down nor allow herself to be mixed up in regard to any material points. She showed a clear memory in regard to the events of four years ago.

The Puritans.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The Washington congressional club to-night gave a dinner commemorating the landing of the pilgrim fathers at Plymouth, Mass., in 1620, to-day being the anniversary of that event. The dinner was held in the banquet hall of the Cochran hotel, where 100 covers were laid. Vice-President Stevenson's toast was "The Sons of the Pilgrims of the Nation." In the response he made a speech which abounded in wit and eloquence, and which was frequently interrupted by laughter and applause. The toast responded to by Justice Harlan of the U. S. supreme court was "The Public School the Gift of the Pilgrims of the Nation," and that of Senator Hawley of Connecticut was the "Puritans Believed in Something." The remaining guests were composed of those prominent in official and social circles in Washington.

The Italian Victory.

Rome, Dec. 22.—After the adjournment of the chamber of deputies, the representative of the United Press had an interview with General Mocenni, in regard to the fight with the Dervishes inland from Massowah, the Italian port on the Red Sea. General Mocenni said that native scouts warned Commander Arimondi several days ago that the Dervishes were preparing to concentrate their forces and make an attack upon Agordat. It was their intention to attack the place at midnight and take it by surprise. Gen. Mocenni was of course informed of the reports of the scouts and he at once telegraphed to Massowah, asking for details as to how the Italians were prepared to meet the threatened attack. He had received information that the Italian forces were 1400 strong, with eight pieces of artillery.

The troops included five Soudanese contingents. Commander Arimondi probably left two companies to hold Fort Agordat when he went to give battle to the Dervishes.

When questioned as to the names of the killed, General Mocenni said he would retain them for the present in order that they might be verified. He added that he would inform the families of those reported to have been killed, and further said that he feared the loss in dead was larger than had been reported.

The feature of the battle was the fighting done by former Soudanese slaves, who had been liberated by the Italians. These slaves, General Mocenni said, had fought fiercely against their former oppressors. They are largely Arabs, and the Italians have always respected their religious faith and have erected mosques for them in their camps. This last is the third defeat the dervishes have sustained in battles in which the natives fought, and their bravery ought, General Mocenni says, to raise their prestige in the eyes of Europeans.

American News.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The Chinese and Mexican Commercial Co., an organization composed of wealthy Chinese, is reported to have purchased a tract of 30,000 acres in the state of Sinaloa, Mexico, on which it is proposed to settle 5,000 of their countrymen. Each colonist will be allotted 244 acres of land, for which he must ultimately pay. The company is said to contemplate the establishment of factories, etc.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Secretary Herbert says that the assignment of Rear Admiral Benham to be commander of the squadron at Rio could not be construed as a settlement of the case of Commander Stanton. Admiral Benham, he said, would become commander of the United States naval forces on the arrival of the San Francisco at Rio simply through the fact that he would be the senior officer. He required no new orders to place him in command of the American fleet. "If the New York had been nearer to Rio than the San Francisco was," said Mr. Herbert, "I would have ordered her there. It was a question of which vessel could get there the quickest, and not as to a successor of Commodore Stanton."

Washington, Dec. 22.—Letters received at the navy department from Callao tell of some interesting target matches between the U. S. steamer Yorktown and H. M. S. Hyacinthe, with six-inch guns, and between teams from these two vessels with rifles. In the rifle match the British team won by 24 points. The Englishmen used Martini-Henri rifles and the Americans used Springfields. The teams were composed principally of officers. The distances in the six-inch gun matches were 1,100 and 2,000 yards. The target used was 20 feet in height, five feet submerged and fifteen above water. The match was won by the Yorktown by 15 points.

Boston, Dec. 22.—A fierce fire is raging in the works of the Chaseau Gas Co. on Williams street. It started in the exhaust rooms at about 8:30 o'clock. The fire rapidly spread to the retort house, and soon both structures were a mass of flames. It is feared that they will be completely destroyed.

Baltimore, Dec. 22.—The police have been unable to locate Joseph Donjam, the Polish anarchist, who it is alleged has been sending threatening letters to Vice-President Stevenson and other public men in Washington. Marshal Frey to-day said: "Officers have been searching for Donjam since Chief Drummond of the government secret service apprised me of the crank's possible presence in this city; but nothing has been learned of the fellow. He is not, nor has he been at the address given in his last letter to Vice-President Stevenson. I consider the man a harmless crank, but I intend to catch him just the same if I can."

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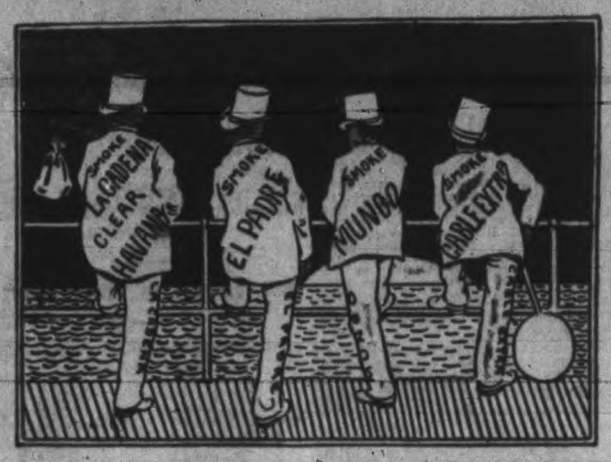

GENERAL DISPATCHES.

News in Brief From Various Parts of the World.

Paris, Dec. 22.—The police continue to receive a large number of suspicious looking packages, supposed by their finders to be infernal machines. These packages are either found in the streets or are addressed to individuals. Most of them on examination prove to be harmless and are evidently intended to make people believe that the anarchists are still actively at work. Some of the packages, however, are really dangerous. For instance, one found a few days ago on the window sill of the Mairie of the 13th arrondissement, was found to contain a quantity of blasting powder and 70 revolver cartridges. A fuse had been attached to the package, but it had, owing to some defect in the arrangement, burned out without causing an explosion. On the package were inscribed the words, "Death to the Bourgeoisie!" August Vaillant, the anarchist, under arrest for causing the explosion in the chamber of deputies, which crime he has confessed, has received donations amounting to 3000 francs since he was lodged in prison.

London, Dec. 22.—In the House of Commons to-day, Commodore George R. Bethel, retired, who was a member of the Challenger expedition, questioned Sir William Harcourt, chancellor of the exchequer, regarding the statement that England's position in the Mediterranean was secured by possessing a preponderance of 19 to 10 first-class battleships, which preponderance existed in the Mediterranean. He further asked if it was not a fact that four out of these 19 British battleships were on Dec. 19th at Arosa Bay, 600 miles from Gibraltar, while six others that have not been completed, were lying at the Portsmouth and Chatham dockyards. Were any steps, he continued, being taken to strengthen the British naval force in the Mediterranean? The chancellor of the exchequer replied that the question of how the ships of England should be distributed was one for the admiralty to decide. It would injure the public confidence if he exactly stated what the plans of the admiralty were.

Rome, Dec. 21.—It is denied here on the authority of the Vatican that Monsignor Satolli, papal delegate to the U.S., has been recalled. The newspaper reporting that he has been recalled and appointed Archbishop of Bologna, was the Koelnische Volks Zeitung, which has high connections here and usually a trustworthy authority on Catholic news. The Rev. Dr. Fazzeli has been appointed spiritual director of the American College in the room of Rev. Dr. Maldi.

London, Dec. 22.—The Rome correspondent of the Central News telegraphs concerning the conflict between Dervishes and Italian troops. There were three distinct engagements, one at Ugorda, another at Scrobati and the third at Biscia. The Italians were everywhere successful.

London, Dec. 22.—A dispatch from Madrid to the Central News says that the arrest of Jose Codina, who has confessed that he was the author of the bomb explosion in the Lyceum theatre at Barcelona, has afforded relief to the workingmen who are now less paralyzed by police visitations to their homes. Hundreds of families are in great distress, lacking the necessaries of life, owing to the wholesale arrest of men who were suspected of being implicated in the anarchist plots. Of the men in custody, a soapmaker named Marilo Cervelo, has confessed that he assisted Pallas in his attempt to assassinate General Martinez de Campos at Barcelona. He also says that he acted as confederate to Codina in planning and causing the explosion in the Lyceum theatre. The police believe that the evidence they have secured as to anarchist plots in Barcelona is now complete.

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Colonna's Drink Bill.

Paris, Dec. 22.—When Prince Colonna, Mrs. J. W. Mackay's son-in-law sold the furniture of his palace lately, M. Brossault, a wine dealer, was pressing him to pay a bill of 4500 francs for liquor. The prince promised to pay the money in a few days. He then left Paris suddenly, but M. Brossault was assured by his agent that the money would be sent in a week. Three weeks passed, and M. Brossault again sought the agent, only to learn that he, too, had vanished. M. Brossault was indignant, as he knew that the prince had received 100,000 francs from the sale of the furniture. He applied for a writ of attachment yesterday, and last evening a court official visited the prince's house in the Avenue du Bois de Boulogne. He placed on the wine cellar door the official seal, which it is a penal offence to break. Other creditors of the prince are said to have applied for writs of attachment upon his wines. The princess also is reported to have applied for a writ because she might be held answerable if she allowed the wines as assets to be removed from the house.

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Stevens' Reply.

Augusta, Me., Dec. 22.—In the course of his answer to President Cleveland's statement, ex-Minister Stevens says:

"President Cleveland's grossly untrue, shamefully unjust allegation against myself and the naval commander rest entirely on the statements of the four notoriously corrupt ministers of the fallen queen, of Wilson, the Tahitan half-white immoral favorite, and other discredited testimony. I repeat here what has been amply verified again and again, that neither by force nor threats of force, or by any advice or action was the fallen monarchy precipitated. From the hour on which I entered upon my duties at the head of the United States legation to the termination of my official responsibility, I maintained the determination to call on the naval commander for aid only in the event that American life and property were in danger. Cautiously but firmly, perhaps sometimes too silently, I made this my fixed rule of action, not only to the representatives of the queen, but to the leaders of the parties who saw no safe alternative for the welfare of the islands but in the total abolishment of the monarchy. President Cleveland sees fit to make a point against my official conduct, that months before the events of last January I had advocated annexation. He deliberately and purposely conceals that what I said in my dispatch in November, 1892, was a confidential statement to the department of state of the then condition of affairs in Hawaii, a report of facts which, by the established rules and practice of diplomacy, I was in duty bound to make known to my government. At that date my opinions were so privately held that both in Honolulu and in California it was believed that the American minister was adverse to annexation. For months prior to the date of this dispatch there had been a continual struggle between the legislature and the queen as to their respective rights regarding the constitution and the responsibility of the cabinet. Ministry after ministry had been appointed in defiance of the votes of the legislature and responsible public opinion."

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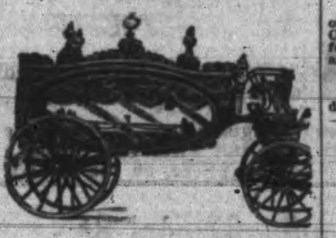

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DRAKE, JACKSON & HELMCKEN, Solicitors for the Executors, Rosa Bossi and Carlo Bossi.

Dated the 29th day of November, 1893. n29-1m

Notice of Assignment.

Pursuant to the "Creditors' Trust Deeds Act, 1890," notice is hereby given that John Johnston, carrying on business under the name and style of J. Johnston & Co., booksellers and stationers, at 77 Government Street, in the City of Victoria, has by deed dated the 1st day of December, 1893, granted and assigned all his real and personal property (except as therein mentioned) unto Walter Blake Smallfield of the said city, accountant, and George W. Haynes of the said city, real estate broker, in trust for the benefit of his creditors. The said deed was executed by the assignor and the assignees on the 1st day of December, 1893.

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THEODORE DAVIE, Secretary.

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DR. ROSE'S CASE.

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Kingston, Dec. 18th, 1893.—The residents of this section of Ontario are deeply interested in the case of Dr. E. A. Rose, of Portland, who was cured when in the last stages of diabetes by Dodd's Kidney Pills. The reluctance of doctors to use, or even recognize, patent medicines is well known. The public, therefore, reason that when a medical man acknowledges that he owes his life to Dodd's Kidney Pills, and gives practical proof of his belief in their merits by prescribing them, these pills must possess extraordinary virtues.

Piracy at Shanghai.

A daring piece of piracy was successfully carried out on the night of the 25th ult., outside Woosung. A trading junk, having on board a cargo of valuable Chinese produce belonging to a Foochow man named Wong, who has a shop near the East Gate, and who was on board at the time, was attacked on its return from Tsung-ming, by a piratical craft. The pirates let fly their bow gun at the unsuspicious junk when only a few yards off, disabling her and cutting the lowdah in two. The pirates, numbering about ten men, then boarded the junk and plundered her, even stripping the merchant Wong of his clothing. The crew of the junk hid themselves in the hold. All this took place about 200 li outside of Woosung. The pirates then towed the prize to a place called Shasan, where they abandoned her and the terrified crew and the owner of the cargo made all sail for the Woosung fort, where they reported the occurrence. Meanwhile any number of Chinese men-of-war are lying idle in the river.—Shanghai Mercury.

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A PEEP AT NORWAY.

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THE EVERLASTING PINE OF NORWAY

The Quaint "Stavekerker" of Central Norway and Their Weird and Picturesque Surrroundings—Village-Like Houses of the Farmers.

(From our own Correspondent.)

London, Dec. 7, 1893.—Some of the architectural features of Norway are exceedingly distinctive and curious, when it is remembered that, contrasted with the age of civilization in southern Europe, the Norse are comparatively newcomers in this Arctic land. To-day what might be termed three zones of buildings and edifices, each giving an almost universally different example of structural style and material. In the remote and desolate north all ancient structures are of stone. In southern Norway oak and beech have been utilized. In the central districts everything has been, and is still, built of pine.

If one has grown to believe that oak represents all that is enduring and almost everylasting amongst the nobler woods serviceable to man, his ideas will be modified when he has come to know the ancient pine-built structures of central Norway. One gazes in admiration and wonder when the strong, perfect beams in the old Sir Walter Raleigh house at Youghal, Ireland, in the ancient houses of the gentry in other portions of that country, and in almost awed admiration upon the oaken stalls, screens and timbers of English cathedrals, and particularly those in the very ancient parish churches, like that of Stoke Poges, where Gray wrote his "Elegy," and those of Grassmere and of Crossthwaite, at Keswick. These have stood staunch and true for two, three, four and perhaps five hundred years. It is no uncommon thing in Norway to find eagle-nest farm buildings, city warehouses, bonders' or large farmers' storehouses, as well as homes and curious old pier-houses beside the fiords, built wholly of pine, still well preserved, which are quite as old; while the strange little old churches of central Norway, also entirely constructed of pine, possess a surprising number of their original timbers, placed where they stand to-day long before the venerable minster of York or the mellowed cathedral of Salisbury assumed anything like their present forms.

In visiting an "eagle-nest" farm above the clouds beside the gloomy Naero Fiord, I noticed that the oldest portion of the farmer's house—a long rambling structure which seemed to have had built upon it a new annex for each generation or century—was by far the stoutest, sturdiest and best. I questioned the farmer as to its age. The family legendary memories and finally the family records agreed that it must have been built some time in the sixteenth century, or perhaps three hundred and fifty years ago. In the Thelemarken district are many quaint old wooden mills which I found to be from 150 to 250 years old. In a bonder's home I visited in the Trondhjem country, the low, wide living room, around which had been added other larger modern apartments and two story high walls, was over 400 years old, and as perfect from decay in any of its timbers as the day when it was built; and when among the saeters of Romsdal and Gudbransdal heights, I even found saeter huts, the habitations of saeter girls who tend, the mountain herds in summer, which had been built from 150 to 250 years ago.

I soon began to notice that if the older portions of all these structures were not the best, it was still, considering its age, incomparably the best preserved; and another curious fact, that such portion was invariably of different construction, became apparent. The pine timbers in these structural portions of the greatest antiquity were invariably placed on end, in the formation of walls, and never laid together horizontally. This ancient method of building, I finally learned, is what the Norse call "reisvark," that is, raised work, or "stood-up work," and in this peculiar method of building lies the secret of the astounding antiquity of the famous wooden churches of Norway. Every portion is constructed of Norwegian pine, so enduring beyond any historically known oak that it has withstood the furies of Norwegian storms, the rigors of almost Arctic winters and again the scorching heat of almost tropical summers, through periods ranging from five to eight hundred years.

The appearance of both these curious old churches and the older class of mills and storehouses would indicate almost an Oriental origin. I have been frequently impressed with the quite startling similarity. Coming suddenly over some lonely mountain path upon a cultivated valley, where, as in the Thelemarken and Hardanger districts, little innovation has found its way, the various groups of farm houses and outbuildings, dark and weather-beaten, are here and there newly stained with a kind of red tar much used upon buildings in Norway, have strongly suggested Oriental affinities in color and architectural style. The most prominent object in all these huddled structures is always the farm "storhaus," which rises story above story, each upper story projecting beyond the one beneath it, like a huge pagoda turned bottom side upward and stood upon its roof. Continuous hanging balconies often extend entirely around each story. Curious outside stairs ascend to each. The quaintest of carving of demons' heads and serpents often ornament every available portion of outer space, and fantastic carved wooden horns project from the corners of the eaves, or seem ready to blare from the peaks of the roof. In out of the way places water mills of equally curious and almost barbaric design will be found. These structures are all very ancient, but the flattened arches of the Moors, the peculiar, natural and reversed forms of the Chinese pagoda, and that profusion of grotesque cartings, characteristic, in wood and stone, in all of the most ancient hamlets of Mediterranean countries, reappear in this stern northern land with startling frequency and certainty of recognition.

The ancient and tiny pine churches of Norway are regarded by travellers as the most interesting curiosities of the country. The best examples are those of Borgund, in Laerdal, the Hitterdal church, that of Lom, near Andvord, Urnaes, beside the Lyster fiord, and that of Eidsborg in the Telemarken district. All these churches are called in Norway "Stavekirker," or stave churches, because all were originally constructed by the "reisvark," or pendendicular method of joining the huge pine timbers in their walls. The same treatment extended to porches and to all portions of the superstructures. The "stavekirker" of Borgund, Litterdal Lom and Urnaes are the more noted. All are still used as houses of worship save the Borgund church, which is now a national curiosity, protected from desecration and decay by the Antiquarian Society of Christiania.

Of these "stavekirker" the Borgund church is the tiniest, most primitive and ancient; the Hitterdal church the most unique and symmetric, if not indeed beautiful; and the church of Urnaes most interesting from its proximity to prehistoric surroundings. Borgund, set in the heart of a deep valley surrounded with snow-capped mountains, sugests a toy church dropped there in the vagrant play of some infant god of Norse mythology. It has almost the true pagoda form, diminishing, square and steep-slanted roofs, rising above each other, the third extremely protruding and prominent. This is in turn surmounted by a distinct structure with a disproportionally large roof, from which rises a central pinnacle, very like the minaret of a mosque, the peaked gables of the highest two stories being provided with most distinctively Oriental outwardly curving, horn-shaper ornamentations. Its entire outward appearance is barbaric and grotesque, and but for its quaint half-Gothic, half-Norman porches, strikingly like the sunny south porches of the very ancient parish churches of England, would suggest that its dark interior was fitting housing only for some gigantic, fire-beleching Hindoo god. Its inner dimensions are ridiculously small. The nave is but twenty-three feet long and about twenty wide; the chancel is only sixteen feet long and eleven in width; but is one mass of carvings, strange old crosses, horrible delineations of the passions, grotesque dragon heads, and loathsome intertwined serpents, interspersed with Runic inscriptions, as though in the stern olden days none might fear the sacred presence without visible tokens of those earthly powers which delight in conjuring an ever-present hell.

The Hitterdal church is more symmetric than that of Borgund. Its dimensions are somewhat greater; and its six steep shingled roofs are carried to a far greater height. Three curious towers rise at equal gradient. The lowest above the apse and the second above the chancel are circular in form, have cone-shaped peaks, like neatly thatched English haystacks; and the third, above where the nave is separated from the chancel by the diminutive transept, is sharply peaked from above a square tower. The three towers sustain huge carved wooden crosses. An interesting peculiarity of its inferior is that the central tower is supported by wooden columns of tremendous height, each one of which is a single tree of Norway pine, stripped of its bark, and whose dimensions have never been equalled in any trees since found in Norwegian forests. Among other curiosities of the Hitterdal church is a chair of remarkable solidity, standing beside the altar. Its carvings are amazing in their character and profusion; and it is pretty well settled by antiquarians that it was made in the year 900. This leaves it among the oldest, if not the oldest of, wooden chairs in existence. Two facts should be kept in mind regarding these ancient "stave-kirker," which certainly adds greatly to their antique interest. No other material but pine has been used in their construction or restorations, and every one was originally built after the true church form. Each one possesses a nave, a chancel and side aisles, usually transepts giving the outlines of the cross, and they all stand east and west with the altar and apse at the head or east end of the cross.

On the east bank of the Lyster Fiord, opposite Solvern, is perched the lonely hamlet of Urnaes. But a tiny patch of tillable land surrounds it, and then come the mountains which pierce the clouds above. Jutting out into the gloomy fiord is a little cone-like promontory. Upon the peak of this stands the lonely "stavekirke" of Urnaes. Antiquarians tell us that here once stood a temple to Thor. Scattered all about are huge mounds, called "Kaempehouge," where mighty Vikings and prehistoric heroes lie buried. One feels at weird old Urnaes as though he has come to the very inner temple of Norse antiquity and mythology. The church itself intensifies this weirdly fascinating feeling. To my mind its lonely situation and sombre interior pique the fancy to a more intense and searching grasp upon the mighty past of Norseland than any other spot or scene in Norway. The pine beams of the interior are tremendous in size and black with age. The carvings are even more fanciful and grotesque than at Borgund or Hitterdal. Behind the altar are rude pictures of the twelve apostles, 400 years old. No one knows how old is that most curious candelabrum ever seen, to be found here, a rudely wrought, tiny iron ship; the chalice is 350 years old; beside the altar hang the priests' vestments dated 1681; but all these things are comparatively modern embellishments. A curiosity of earlier date is a huge beam across the chancel to which are yet attached some rotting pulleys. This was the ancient "gabe stok," or pillory, from which in those dear old times many long to have returned naughty children and offending parents were strung up in sight of the congregation which had gathered for consolation, forgiveness and prayer!

While the entire agricultural population of Norway may be regarded as the peasant class, by far the larger portion of these are what are known as bonders or udalmen. These own absolutely their lands free from all rents, tithes or conditions of tenure. The original titles to many of these landed possessions are so ancient that they are written in an extinct language. Inheritance of land and personal property has lately been made equal among sons and daughters. If property is alienated from its original possessors through mortgage or sale, the next of kin has the right of redemption, at any time within three years, on payment of foreclosure or purchase price, with actual cost of such improvements as have been made. All lands passing out of the hands of original family ownership do not again become udal-lands until they have been in possession of a new proprietor for a period of twenty years; and the subdivision of these old Norwegian estates is largely prevented by one heir purchasing the inherited rights of the others, when their purchase of reclaimed lands, and emigration, do the rest.

The almost universal spectacle is therefore presented in Norway of a land of farmsteads, old as the forests about them, housing a folk rooted with the affections, the legends, the customs and the noble independence of centuries of growth to the soil beneath them with a strength of love which amounts to their grandest passion. There is no other country in Europe—and American love of land, of a landed home-spot with the sacredness of generations of toil and joy and sorrow consecrating its every atom of earth, has not yet grown beyond the thrifty, shifting sentiment of speculation—where such conditions universally exist; and but one, where, in a tiny corner, the same class of stern, sturdy, liberty-loving and almost land-worshiping yeomen can be found. That one is England. The little corner is the shire of Cumberland, over against the roaring Solway tides and the rampant Irish sea. There, too, the folk are free of the lord's taxes; tithes and terrors. "Statesmen," they are called, because lords of their own tiny estates. "Statesmen" in grand old Cumberland and Udelmen in glorious Norway are like as brothers may be in those virtues of steadfastness, loyalty, integrity and simple goodness which are as everlasting sinews to the grandest attributes of man.

Like the Cumberland 'statesmens' stone built homes, which seem to have added a new clump of rock and wall for each generation or century, the Norwegian bonder's gaard or farm-house is an odd jumble of structures, like a tiny huddled hamlet in itself. Whether in one continuous series of attached structures, or comprising many separate buildings, they always seem to have been gradually brought together with a view to forming an irregular sort of court, protected from the terrible winter storms. First there is the farm-house itself, if the oldest still the widest, largest and most commodious of all, with its invariable quaint, carred porch, its huge chimneys, and its roof of big scale-like shingles, or still of turf in which there are often seen growing vagrant mountain flowers. Then there are the bake-house, also used, on account of the heat which can be secured and for its privacy, for the family bath-house, the dairy, always an important structure and a veritable feast, in butter, cheese, and milk, for city eyes; and most important of all, the "storhaus." The latter is not only literally a house of stores and supplies of food, such as sugar, salt, candles, flour, dried and pickled fish, bacon, pork, and dried meat hanging from dark beams in startling variety and profusion, but it is the granary as well; and here are found in huge bins, heaps of rye, barley and oats, the quickening sun of these northern latitudes matures in such generous measure and fine hard grain.

Besides these there are long, low sheds; a huge building similar to an American or English barn, in which every spear of precious hay, tender birch, twigs, and great quantities of reindeer moss are treasured against the long winter's needs for the herds; and often three or four comfortable, stout-walled cottages in which "housemen" or cottagers, each having the use of a portion of the land, rent free for a certain number of days' labor upon the farm, live in more than ordinary comfort and content. However old or weather-beaten these farmsteads may be, they give to all this stern north land that tangible, palpable warmth of color which subdues and softens all material sterility and desolation, wherever is enduringly built that blessed and thrice blessed earthly type of heaven, the home.

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28th November, 1893.

MAYORALTY.

To the Voters of the City of Victoria:

Ladies and Gentlemen:—I beg to announce myself as a candidate for the office of mayor for the ensuing year, and most respectfully solicit your votes and interest.

I have the honor to be, your obedient servant,

JOHN TEAGUE.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 27th, 1893. n27-4d

"Land Registry Act."

Sections 1 and 2, Quatsino District.

A certificate of Indefeasible Title to the above property will be issued to Andrew B. Forbes on the 24th March, 1894, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein, or some part thereof.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Deputy Registrar General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, 19th December, 1893. d21-3m

NO. 216.

A BY-LAW

Respecting the Municipal Elections for the City of Victoria for the year 1894.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:—

1. The nomination of candidates for the respective offices of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Victoria shall take place at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City, on Monday, the 8th day of January, 1894, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p.m.

2. In case more than one candidate for Mayor is nominated the vote of the electors for candidates for the said office shall be taken by ballot in the Court room at the City Hall aforesaid, on Thursday, the 11th day of January, 1894, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

3. In case there are more candidates nominated for the office of Aldermen in any Ward than there are vacancies to fill up, the vote of the electors for the candidates for said office shall be taken by ballot on the 11th day of January, 1894, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., at the respective places following, that is to say:—

For the North Ward, in room numbered 5 and 6, at the Public Market Building, Cormorant street.

For the Central Ward, at Burnes' Block, Bastion Square.

For the South Ward, at No. 27 Government street (east side).

4. The provision of the "Election By-Law," passed 3rd March, 1888, and the schedules thereto, and the "Election Amendment By-Law, 1892," so far as applicable and not inconsistent with this by-law and the Municipal Acts, shall be read with and form part of this by-law.

5. William King Bull, is hereby appointed the Returning Officer at the said elections.

6. The "Municipal Election By-Law, 1893," is hereby repealed.

7. This by-law may be cited as the "Municipal Election By-Law, 1894."

Passed the Municipal Council the 11th day of December, A.D. 1893.

Reconsidered, adopted and finally passed by the Council of the City of Victoria the 18th day of December, A.D. 1893.

ROBERT BEAVEN,
(L. S.) Mayor.
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

NOTICE.

The above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria on the 18th day of December, A.D. 1893, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that any one desirous of applying to have such by-law, or any section thereof, quashed, must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court within one month next after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

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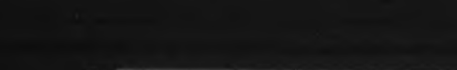

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B. C. ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.
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The Hall of the above society in Musgrave Block, Broad street, is open daily from 10 a.m., to 4 p.m., for the convenience of Pioneers and their friends, who are cordially invited to visit the rooms.

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MUNICIPAL.

All accounts against the Corporation of the City of Victoria must be sent in on or before 23rd inst. No goods will be ordered after that date.

CHAS. KENT,
Treasurer.

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NOTICE

I.O.O.F.—General Relief Committee.

Members of this committee are hereby requested to attend a special meeting on Sunday, 24th inst., at 3 p.m. at Odd Fellow's Hall, Douglas street.
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Sir Richard Temple, in his book, "Life in Parliament," gives a pathetic account of the troubles of a British member who is unfortunate in his efforts to catch the speaker's eye. He says sometimes it happens that a member may rise time after time, night after night, till his heart grows sick, and yet be not called. He sees man after man, with less claims than himself, called before him, and he naturally wonders. On the other hand, the position of the speaker must be difficult, inasmuch as he has to balance many considerations unknown to members generally. He is probably the only man who knows every member of the house, and he must always have some reasons in his own mind. The house, although never seeking to enter into the reasons, accept his conclusion. He is the speaker for all the members—not for the best men only, but for the whole body. It does not follow that the ablest men or the most experienced are called first by him. The house contains members juvenile and aged, famous and unknown, able and insignificant, potent and feeble—he must be speaker for them all alike—and for voting in the division lobby, there is equality between them all. To each one of them in turn, sooner or later, he will impartially afford a chance of being heard, if time shall permit. But if by ill luck a man happens to rise often before he is called, the mental process must be distressing in the extreme. He has a speech in his head, but it has been modified again and again by other speeches. His faculties will be strung up to the point of preparation, and will then be suddenly relaxed. Once more for him the tension will be restored, but again there will be collapse. The repetition of the process must make his brain reel and rack his aching head. When at last he is called to speak his performance will have lost half the verve it would have had at first. To crown all, there is something of the ridiculous in the whole affair, so the sufferer will never confess his sufferings.

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The Daily Times.

AGAINST THE PROVINCE.

Recently the Colonies and India based on a local government pamphlet some kind remarks on "British Columbia as a field for immigration." There was especial commendation for the frankness with which the difficulties to be met with are treated in the pamphlet, and the London paper seems to think that in this respect the work is exceptionally meritorious. The intending immigrant, it says, is told that: "British Columbia must sooner or later attain that position which has been foreshadowed, although the time she will take in reaching it will greatly depend on many circumstances beyond her own control. For her future is undoubtedly bound up in that of the Pacific. Should the progress which has been witnessed upon her shores during the last thirty years continue in a ratio proportionate, the province will have become at the end of a century one of the most valuable and most wealthy of all the British possessions. But a broad distinction should be drawn in the minds of intending settlers between prospects of future advancement and the certainty of present hardships. If sturdy, resolute, independent people, who can weather the storm of discouragement and stand against all manner of disappointment, choose to venture their all, as others have done before them, in untried places, well and good; theirs it is to build the tower when they have counted the cost; but let there be no delusions or dreams of lotus-eating—national greatness is not attained by the help of such constituents, nor are the personal fortunes acquired by any such means." Commenting on this the Winnipeg Free Press says:

British Columbia is indeed a beautiful province, and in the course of time will be a very valuable one to the Dominion, but the drawbacks enumerated above are not the only ones, nor is the chief evil to be encountered even alluded to. From what we have been able to gather from personal enquiry in British Columbia, and from those who have visited it, the primary need is the breaking up of the land ring that is picking the eyes out of the province. The difficulty of getting a title to selected land seems to be phenomenal. As soon as an intending settler decides upon a section and makes application for it, he finds that Mr. A or Mr. B has already got a pencil entry, or its equivalent, on the land, and against Mr. A and Mr. B and the ring of which they are members there seems to be little redress. They are important men, having much influence about the throne. This may be all entirely wrong, but it is the unvarying tale that we hear from that province. Then in years gone by an agreement was made between the Dominion government and the Provincial government, by which the former acquired a large tract of land in the shape of a belt along the line of railway, and since that date until now, and heaven only knows how much longer it will be, the unhappy settler is left in uncertainty as to who can give him a title. Men have obtained an alleged title from one government, only to find that some one else had obtained a title from the other, and year after year rolls by in this unsatisfactory condition. Enquiries are answered by British Columbians only after due regard for secrecy has been had, for they are cowed by their government and dispensers of titles and afraid to breathe their wrongs in more than a whisper lest their government should be "down upon them" and prevent them from getting a title at all. Until British Columbia recognizes what its land ring is like, who composes it, and how it has been worked, they cannot expect to get immigrants to pass the fertile lands of Manitoba and the Territories, where a man enters at once upon the freehold of his property, subject to clear and easy conditions. And if we might venture, without ruffling the feelings of that sensitive organization, the department of the interior at Ottawa, to offer a suggestion, it would be that the public service would be much advanced by the conclusion of the dispute between Ottawa and Victoria as to the granting of titles in the railway belt.

We reproduce this to show what sort of impressions go abroad in regard to administrative methods in this province. There is no need to point out how damaging it may be to have it generally supposed that a "land ring" and the dispute between the two governments will prevent in-comers from securing land to live upon. Of course the two evils are exaggerated in the Free Press article, but there is undoubtedly a foundation of fact in each case, and it is easy to see how such reports as our contemporary mentions may pass as absolutely correct. It is quite certain that a good many home-seekers have gone away from British Columbia disappointed and disgusted because the department was either unable or unwilling to aid their search. A stranger meeting with such a rebuff might very naturally conclude that he was not wanted here. The natural obstacles to settlement in British Columbia can be removed only by years of patient effort, but it need not take long to wipe away those artificial obstacles caused by misgovernment.

Quebec province did not secure complete protection from rascality when it "bounced" Mercier, as is shown by the Beauport asylum job. The history of this transaction is thus summarized by the Montreal Witness: "The Beauport asylum was owned by Messrs. Landry and Larue, who in 1884 valued it at $270,000, although eight years of an unexpired contract with the government for the care of the insane remained with the proprietors. The new contractors, an order of Sisters, in 1893 offered the proprietors $270,000, their own valuation, and protested against paying more, as they would rather build themselves than do so. If they were compelled to pay more they would not be able, they said, to give the insane the same care they would otherwise. The government valuator fixed the value at $311,000. The government, in effect, compelled the Sisters to purchase the building at $425,000, for which the government became security. It is stated the building has fallen into disrepair since 1884, and that it is now in bad sanitary condition. It is said that at least $75,000 will be required to place it in condition fit for the purpose for which it is to be used. These are the bare facts of the case as laid before the assembly by the opposition. Neither the ministers nor their supporters denied or explained them; they simply in silence voted the resolution through. Not without protest, however, on the part of some of their own supporters, Messrs. Morris, Auge and Cook voting against the government resolution. Mr. Pelletier, the champion of ecclesiasticism and the evil genius of the Mercier government, as of the present one, is the minister who worked the shameful deal."

There is much suffering in many parts of the United States from want of work and want of food, but Chicago's tale of woe is the saddest, perhaps because of the reaction which followed the busy days of the fair. The Despatch draws this gloomy picture of the state of the city: "Poverty is mocking Chicago. Its skinny, bony finger is pointing tauntingly at the city's fame for riches. Thousands are hungering for a bite of food. Tens of thousands are weeping in want. The gaunt wolf Poverty is scratching at countless doors. Hearths are cold and ashy, tables are bare, and starving and suffering humanity importune the wealthy for a tiny crust of bread."

BURNED OUT AND DESTITUTE.

To the Editor,—Will you kindly, by publishing this letter, let those know who have bought tickets in the intended raffle of a piano at Fletcher's for the benefit of Mrs. M. J. Morrison, that if they like they can forward the amount by postoffice order to her at Kamloops. I am sure it would be acceptable as she has lately lost nearly all she had in the Hotel Mission fire, at Mission city, having had a confectionery shop in that building.

ONE OF YOUR READERS.

To Night
At Russell & McDonald's.

STEREOTYPED PROMISES.

Hon. Davie's Invariable Reply—The Miners' Grievances.

Nanaimo, Dec. 23.—The lieutenant-governor, Hon. Theo. Davie and Hon. J. H. Turner visited the poultry show yesterday and were afterwards entertained at luncheon at the Windsor by the board of trade. A long list of the wants of Nanaimo was presented to the members of the government, and Premier Davie promised that every requirement set forth should have the careful consideration of the government. The officials of the show gave a banquet in honor of the visitors at the Windsor house last evening.

The show has been a great success, and the finances are far in excess of the most sanguine expectations.

The Nanaimo high school closed yesterday afternoon. The scholars entertained the visitors in a creditable manner. Rev. Good, Rev. McRae and several others addressed the scholars.

Th proposition of the New V. Q. Co. to the Northfield miners has been left in the hands of the union to be dealt with. This means that the question is a district one and can now only be settled by a mass meeting. Should the meeting decide that the miners must not accept the terms they may be expected to support the men.

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REVOLUTIONARY MANIFESTO.

The Independent Labor Party Appeals to the People.

London, Dec. 23.—The people of the leading towns in the United Kingdom as well as of many of the smaller towns in the manufacturing and industrial districts woke up this morning to find billboards and lamp-posts covered with copies of a revolutionary manifesto, signed by the national administrative council of the dndependent labor party. The headquarters of this movement are in this city, and inquiries revealed the fact that over 5,000,000 placards of different sizes, as well as pamphlets containing the manifesto which was adopted at a recent secret meeting of the council, have been quietly sent all over the country during the past week for simultaneous appearance to-day. The manifesto in part reads as follows:

"We have arrived at a critical stage in the progress of the people toward social and economic freedom. Capitalism is daily drawing its forces closer together and the wealth wrung from the workers is now being mercilessly used against them by the idle rich. The old political parties are in antagonism to the economic emancipation of the people. Tory landlords and Liberal capitalists are equally pledged to the system of rent, profit and interest by which labor is robbed. In the class war Liberal and Conservative alike are on the side of privilege and against the producers. The policy of the independent labor party is to specially deal with the government in power for the time being. The first parliamentary session of the new government has been signalized by the discussion of Irish affairs to the practical exclusion of almost every vital question affecting the interests of the workers of the United Kingdom.

"Outside the house of commons the industrial has been growing steadily in volume and intensity. The present year has been unparalleled for events of remarkable magnitude in the unceasing war of the working classes against privilege and monopoly; 1893 has witnessed the conflicts of capitalism with the cotton operatives, with the Hull dock laborers and the miners. In the coal lock-out, the exorbitant demands in the first instance of the employers and the appalling inhumanity of the owners' tactics in seeking to enforce their demands by the starvation of hundreds of thousands of innocent women and children have thrown a fierce light on the methods of English capitalists. Under conditions of incredible hardships the heroism of the miners has never been surpassed in the annals of trades unionism. The public conscience has been deeply touched by their suffering. The nationalization of our mines and minerals is an imperative necessity in the interests alike of the coal producer and the community, and it is in the power of the working classes to force the question by their votes within the range of practical politics. The policy of the new government in relation to these trade disputes has been one of political impotence—tempered by cant.

"When the Conservatives employed the forces of the crown for the coercion of the Irish peasantry the Liberal party protested in horror-stricken accents against the policy of the late Irish secretary. The hypocrisy of the Liberal outcry is manifested by their own readiness to employ on the slightest provocation the police and the military against the unoffending workingman. The country was implored by the leaders of the Liberal party to "remember Mitchelstown." With cynical effrontery this so-called Democratic government has been in open league with the forces of capitalism in attempting to crush labor. At Featherstone innocent men were slaughtered on the public highway because they did not immediately 'go home' at the command of a military stripling of the 'upper classes.'"

The manifesto goes on to say: "The questions of the unemployed; the steadily growing exodus of the rural laborers from the villages to the large towns; the invention and improvement of "labor-saving" machinery in every department of industry; the pressure of foreign competition; the marvellous growth of joint stock companies, trusts, syndicates and rings; these questions, with the phenomenon of the ever-increasing wealth of the nation accumulating in the hands of a relatively small and non-productive portion of the community, while enormous numbers of the workers are rapidly sinking into a state of ever-increasing hardship are the problems of to-day. In the presence of these questions Liberalism and Toryism are alike dumb. The workers must look to themselves alone for the solution. It is necessary that the working classes form themselves into a distinct political party apart from both the old political parties, with the intention of taking control of the government of the country and carrying out those principles which they cannot expect either of the leading political parties to do. There are only three ways to get the social reforms for which the independent labor party is fighting. 1. By a resort to physical force. 2. By applying for them to the government as at present constituted. 3. By the working class seizing political power. To you, the workers of every grade, therefore, we appeal to enroll yourselves under the flag of independent labor."

Christmas Retail Trade.

New York, Dec. 23.—The reports of the commercial agencies to-night will indicate that, all things considered, the general Christmas retail trade of the country has been extremely satisfactory. In many towns it has surpassed expectations, while in others there is more or less of a falling off due to local conditions. It is noticeable that while as a general rule the average of individual purchases has been maintained, yet there has been a falling off in values of goods bought, medium or low-priced gifts being the rule in preference to the high-priced articles of late years. There is considerable complaint among the jewelry trade and diamond dealers that gifts more useful than ornamental will be the rule this year. Reports of factories, workshops, and various other industrial enterprises to resume operations in a few weeks show a large increase over the past month.

La Grippe With Destitution.

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 23.—The county commissioners and township trustees of the towns in the Indiana gas belt, including Kokomo, Muncie, Marion, Elwood, Noblesville, Gas City and Hartford City, are in session here to-day to consider measures for grappling with the prevailing destitution in this region. The closing of various manufacturing and other enterprises during the past few months has thrown out of employment fully 20,000 wage workers, many of them being heads of families, and these are entirely destitute. The object of the conference is to devise a uniform and economical method of maintaining the destitute until the revival of business.

"CABINETS" $4 per doz
"CORONAS" $5 per doz.

The newest and most beautiful style of photo. Soft, delicate and artistic.
These prices are for Xmas trade.
Skene Lowe, Photo, 63 Gov't St.

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Canadian News.

A notable event in the history of the Anglican church of Canada took place at Kingston on Thursday, being the first ordination ever conducted by an archbishop of the Church of England outside of the British Isles. The ceremony took place in St. George's cathedral.

The official report of the result of the plebiscite in Prince Edward Island on prohibition shows, with Queens and Prince counties yet to hear from, 2,811 for prohibition and 768 against it.

The Tavistock Milling Co.'s flour mill and 8,000 bushels of wheat have been burned. Loss, $30,000; insurance $14,000.

The annual dinner of the Dominion Commercial Travellers' association was held in Moutreal on Thursday night. President D. Watson occupied the chair Speeches were made by U. S. Consul Gen. Anderson, Solicitor General Curran, Mayor Desjardines and others. The association has now over 2,000 members and is in a prosperous condition.

Thos. Cochrane passed through Montreal on his way to England. In an interview he said he was opinion that the ranching business of the Northwest Territories had seen its best days.

There was almost a panic during the performance of the oratorio, "The Creation," in Knox church, Winnipeg. The gallery sank three inchese with a loud crash, and immediately a rush was made for the doors, but no serious results followed.

The Winnipeg grain exchange recently communicated with the Chicago board of trade asking that in future all grain in store at Fort William be included in the visible supply statement issued by the Chicago board of trade. A satisfactory reply has been received.

It is reported in Ottawa that an intrigue has been started with a view to inducing Premier Blair, of New Brunswick, to accept the chief justiceship of that province, which is now practically vacant, and that if Blair accepts the new lieutenant-governor to be appointed next week will ask the leader of the Conservatives in the local assembly to form a new government. Sir John Thompson, it is believed, has asked a friend in New Brunswick to offer the chief justiceship to Blair.

The will of the late H. L. Northrop, head of the firm of Northrop & Lyman, Toronto, has been admitted to probate. Northrop had valuable property on both sides of the line. His Canadian estate is valued at $365,000 and his American one at $325,000. The American estate is now under probate in the American surrogate court.

Marine.

The sealer Diana, Capt. Nelson, sailed yesterday for the Japan coast with a crew of 18 white men. The Brenda will probably go to-day, the Agnes MacDonald on Thursday next, and the Oscar and Hattie, Capt. Magneson, will leave about Thursday.

The Thermopylae left Hong Kong yesterday for Victoria.

The Umatilla will be one day late leaving for San Francisco, not sailing until the 27th. She is probably delayed to receive a new wheel.

The steamer City of Kingston is now leaving Seattle at 9.15 p.m., an hour earlier than usual.

The ship Glory of the Seas is in the Royal Roads wind-bound. She started for Nanaimo, but the nor'easter drove her back.

The Penelope and Venture are on the ways being overhauled for next season. They will be launched after the holidays.

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Sheffield razors (guaranteed), strops, shaving brushes, etc., the best variety in town, at Fox's, 78 Government street. Children's white fur boas, 35c.

—Buy Christmas and New Year Wines from the California Wine Co., Ltd., 55 and 57 Broad street.

People who have tried it, say that there is no better medicine for dyspepsia than Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It may not give one the stomach of an ostrich, but it so strengthens the alimentary organs that digestion of ordinary food becomes easy and natural.

To-Night

We intend selling the balance of our stock of Xmas Novelties at prices to suit the times. Don't fail to see us.

COCHRANE & MUNN,

Prescription Druggists,
Cor. Yates and Douglas Sts.

SHORT LOCALS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

—Fine English table cutlery at Fox's

—Three new electric light poles have been erected in Victoria West.

—A fine line of Sheffield carvers in cases just opened at Fox's, 78 Government street.

—The time for receiving tenders for levelling and seeding the lacrosse grounds has been extended until Dec. 27th.

—The three boys charged with setting fire to a haystack belonging to Justice Drake have been released on $500 bail each.

—The Cedar Hill Presbyterian church Xmas entertainment will be held Christmas night. Spring Ridge mission on Tuesday, Jan. 2.

—The Times thanks Kurtz & Co. for a box of cigars packed in a handsome box made in the form of a book, with Christmas greetings inscribed on the covers.

Fifty little ones were made happy last night. The children of the East Fernwood Presbyterian mission had their annual Xmas entertainment, supper and presentation of Xmas gifts by Santa Claus.

—The pastoral committee of Calvary Baptist church, which is to lay a report before the congregation on the resignation of Mr. Coombes, will not report for two weeks.

—The Victoria association football club's team and the Victoria college team will not play to-day. The former, weather permitting, will practice at the Hill this afternoon at 2:30.

—In commission. Lange & Co., jewelers, Douglas street, have just received a fine assortment of goods for the holidays, for which they are asking very low prices, so as to dispose of them by the first of January.

—The Paragon Oil Company is now supplying the beautiful Paragon Oil can filled with Pratt's Astral Oil at $1.50 per can, and the Paragon Oil in Paragon can at $1.65. The new office is at 51 Yates street, next door to Poodle Dog.

—F. W. Van Sicklin, formerly with George Russell, has purchased the new Driard baths and tonsorial parlors at 19 Trounce avenue. The new proprietor of the Driard baths will be glad to see his many friends at his new stand. The prices have been reduced from 25 to 15 cents for shaving.

—After a short vacancy the violin department at the Conservatory of Music has been filled by the engagement of Herr Max Zipprich, who came from Cologne to accept a special appointment tendered by the executive of the New Orleans exposition. He has composed some popular orchestral and choral pieces.

—Some Xmas gifts are of no practical value and although they may be costly are not much appreciated by their fair recipients, but this never happens when buyers have the good sense to select their presents at the Westside. Kid gloves and cambric handkerchiefs are specialties. Furs, and fur-lined cloaks and gloves in great variety. Prices right.

—The steamer Maude, Captain Roberts, returned yesterday morning from the west coast, having been delayed by rought weather, which several times rendered it necessary for the steamer to seek shelter. Dr. Worthington and C. Pearce, who have been hunting along the coast, returned to the city. The other passengers were: Father Verbeke, and W. Sultan and wife.

—The bazaar and social in the South Saanich temperance hall under the auspices of the I. O. G. T. was a success. A handsome sum was realized. The following programme was presented: Piano solo, Mrs. Robinson; song, Rev. Mr. Christmas; recitation, Miss Gertrude McFarland; duet, Miss and Master Christmas; recitation, Miss Edith Oates; song, Harry Tauer; song, Miss McFarland; recitation, Mrs. Cogswell; song, Miss Brethour; song, Alfred Gale; recitation, Miss Edith Oates; song, Mr. Cox.

—A great deal of credit is due E. G. Gray for the success of the Christmas festival given last evening to the children of the Centennial Methodist Sunday school. A large platform had been erected in the school room, over which was a canopy of evergreens, decorated with white bunting to represent snow. The superintendent being unavoidably absent Postmaster Shakespeare acted as master of ceremonies. A programme of recitations and dialogues was creditably rendered by the children, and then Santa Claus was announced with a fanfare of trumpets. The children were treated to a happy surprise. They certainly expected the presents that they were to receive, but they did not expect old St. Nicholas to come in the way he did. A door being thrown open, Santa Claus was driven in sitting on a sleigh drawn by a small Shetland pony. He then proceeded to distribute his many gifts.

—In the police court John M. Morris was sentenced to six months' hard labor for stealing articles valued at $90.

—Look in and see Weiler's stock before purchasing elsewhere for they offer the best value for your money.

—The buildings at the suspect station were burned down this afternoon in the presence of Mayor Beaven, the medical health officer and members of the board of aldermen.

—The Benevolent Society yesterday finished the distribution of the food and clothing donated by the children. To-day a large number of bread tickets and other orders were given away.

—Thos. Deasy, chief of the fire department, was injured this afternoon by falling from his carriage. One of the bolts in the vehicle broke and Chief Deasy was thrown to the ground. His head and ankle were hurt.

—A notice is on the city hall bulletin board calling upon the city engineer to prepare specifications for tendering for extending the surface drain on Superior street; also to prepare plans for the extension to the sea of the Cook street drain.

The exports of the Dominion for the last month are valued at $14,964,502, an increase of over $3,000,000, as compared with last year. For the five months the exports show an increase of $2,750,000. The imports show an increase of $1,250,000.

—Special Constable O'Connor saved the life of a three-year-old child this afternoon. The child was on the railway bridge when it was being swung, and it would have walked into the water had it not been for Mr. O'Connor. It was taken to the police station.

—The case of the Queen vs. the sealer Ainoko was continued to-day before Mr. Justice Crease in the vice-admiralty court. Mr. Helmcken addressed his lordship on behalf of the owner of the schooner and Mr. Pooley replied. His lordship then stated that he would give his decision as soon as possible.

—The case of McConnell vs. Jackson, Garvin and Magnes, in which the plaintiff claims $1,606, which he says was taken from him during an all-night game of poker, which they "roped" him into, was adjourned until Jan. 4th, owing to Mr. Justice Crease being engaged in the vice-admiralty court.

—From present indications the concert hall and dining room of the Hotel Victoria will be taxed to accommodate the crowd on Thursday night next, when the smoking concert to be given to the players and officers of the Victoria Lacrosse club takes place. A total of 100 have subscribed already to the lists, so in point of attendance success is assured. The plan was originated and is being carried out by the young men of the city exclusively, and pride is at stake in making it an affair to be remembered.

—James Owen was released from jail yesterday afternoon at the solicitation of his wife. He had been charged with non-support, but promised to give up drinking and reform. At 2.30 this afternoon Owens' wife, accompanied by her five-year-old girl, came to the provincial station. Owen has been abusing her. He was arrested by Constables Hutcheson and Houston, and the court gave him three months' hard labor and an additional three months if he did not find sureties to keep the peace for a year.

—The stewards and matrons of the hospitals and orphanages of the city are arranging for the usual Christmas dinners. At the Protestant Orphans' Home the Christmas dinner will be held at 3 in the afternoon. Members of the board of directors will be present to help the orphans enjoy the holiday. The patients in the Jubilee Hospital will sit down to dinner at noon with the members of the nursing staff and friends of the institution. A number of generous Victorians have at the request of Ald. Munn, chairman of the Old Men's Home committee, given a number of delicacies for the dinner at the home, and the inmates will be made to feel that they have not been forgotten.

—On Thursday last at Collingwood there was celebrated the marriage of Dr. A. T. Watt, now of Victoria, B.C., to Miss Madge Robertson, M. A., both of whom were, during their undergraduate careers, very prominent in the university. Miss Robertson won for herself an enviable distinction by her contributions to the newspapers and periodicals of the day, and last winter held a prominent position on the staff of Frank Leslie's Weekly. She was the first lady graduate to win the degree of M. A. Dr. Watt was for several years one of the most distinguished occupants of the Third House in Residence, and was prominently identified with the athletics, more especially the Rugby football, of the college. Since he began practising in Victoria he has been remarkably successful, and it is now the earnest wish of their many college associates that Dr. and Mrs. Watt will meet with every happiness in their western home.—Toronto Mail.

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Closing Sale.

Prang's art copies and Christmas cards reduced one-half, art books reduced one-third. Johnston's bookstore.

To-Night
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Awarded Highest Honors World's Fair.

DR. PRICE'S Cream Baking Powder.

The only Pure Cream of Tartar Powder.—No Ammonia, No Alum
Used in Millions of Homes—40 Years the Standard.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Should Ministers be Eligible for Election as School Trustees?

During the closing examinations in the different schools several clergymen spoke against the clause in the school act excluding ministers of religion from being school trustees. Bishop Perrin pointed out the absurdity of including clergymen with Indians and Chinamen. Ministers of the gospel took a great interest in the education of the rising generation and were in every way fitted to act as school trustees.

Trustee Marchant agreed with this theory, believing the people should have the right to elect whomsoever they thought fit, but the practical side was different, and when it was known that in England elections of trustees are narrowed down to one religious denomination against another; when in Quebec, Ontario and Manitoba political elections are not free from religious strife, the clergymen of the city could congratulate themselves that they were classed with Indians and Chinese and were thus free from the denominational feeling which would necessarily attend an election when any minister entered the contest for school trustee.

The percentages obtained by the pupils of the Second and Third Divisions of the High School follows:

Second Division—Claire Ruiter McGregor, 89; David Talt, 87; Nellie Evelyn Marchant, 86; Frederick Arthur Futcher, 85; Benjamin Chas. Nicholas, 82; Richard Henry Hale, 81; George Edward Brown, 80; Jennie Long McCulloch, 79; George Clinton Pickard, 78; Howard Edward McEwen, 77; Ernest Edward Blake, 74; Thomas Douglas Pawcett, 74; Robert Francis Mills, 72; Rose Fraser, 72; Phoebe Spragge, 72; Maggie Susanna Blackbourn, 72; Mabel Grace Bunting, 71; Mary Elizabeth Fletcher, 71; Robert Jesse, 71; Charles W E Redfern, 71; Jane C. Strachan, 70; Talbot G. Devereux, 70. There were twelve pupils in this division in addition to the twenty-two above mentioned, and the percentage of the whole 34 in the class reached the unusually good average of 72. The class percentages were remarkably high in some subjects, the most notable being: Reading, 80; writing, 90; dictation and spelling, 82; composition, 84; Canadian history, 88; natural philosophy, 85; phisology and hygiene, 84.

Third Division—Leonard Sprag, 85; Geo. Herbert Arthur, 75; Elsie Rae Arthur, 68; William James Beam, 66; Mary Anna Agnes Nason, 65; Earl Winton Clarke, 63; Biblanne Moore, 59; Bessie Ellen Morrison, 57; Mary McGraw, 55; Arthur Washington Thomas, 54; Christopher John Loat, 54; Rose Lillie Jackson, 54; Parker Elizabeth Northcott, 53; Edwin Sherman Tuck, 53; Thomas Kermode, 52; Roberta Nason, 51; Walter William Storey, 51; Charles William Steers, 51; Florence Germaine Jackson, 50; William Hamilton Kinsman, 50; John Walter Lorimer, 48; Bernard Peter Schwengers, 48; Walter John Sherriff, 47; Alice Doran, 46; Charles Thos. Revcey, 46; Stanley McB. Smith, 45; Mary Cathcart, 44; Margaret Murray, 41; Frederick Kennard Vigor, 41; John William Spencer, 35; William Walkem Wilson, 33.

The following pupils of the Second Division were awarded prizes:

Claire Ruiter McGregor, head of class; David Talt, 2nd in proficiency; Nellie Evelyn Marchant, 3rd in proficiency; Frederick Arthur Futcher, 4th in proficiency; Benjamin Charles Nicholas, 1st in natural philosophy and Canadian history (full marks); Richard Henry Hale, 1st in composition and mental arithmetic; George Edward Brown, 1st in geography; Jennie Long McCulloch, general proficiency; George Clinton Pickard, 1st in writing and Canadian history (full marks); Robert Francis Mills, Maggie Susanna Blackbourn, Herbert Prest Winsby, Alice Maud Eckersley and Eleanor Annie Lee, regularity.

TO CONTROL THE BUSINESS.

A Sound Steamboat Company to Work With all Railroads.

The Northwestern Steamship Company has been organized and incorporated by leading capitalists of the Sound, and will seek the control of the steamship business. They propose to work in harmony with all the railroads not favoring any in particular. A schedule is being drawn agreeing as nearly as possible with the time of all the competing roads. An effort will be made to acquire the City of Kingston and City of Seattle by purchase, but if that cannot be done new vessels will be built. D. B. Jackson is the organizer of the company. The capital stock of the company is $600,000, and the incorporators and first board of directors are D. B. Jackson, C. F. Clapp, A. A. Denny, R. H. Denny, N. H. Latimer, David Gilmore and D. K. Howard. In an interview at Seattle D. B. Jackson said: "The company is gotten up independent of all railroads with the object of treating all railroads alike, connecting with them all and trying to get all their business. We shall try to buy the City of Seattle and City of Kingston, and if we cannot buy them we shall build new and faster boats. If the company succeeds in buying these steamers we shall begin operating them about the first of May. With these and what other boats the company has control of—one on the Sound and one in San Francisco—we can cover all the principal routes on the Sound. The boats will run from Yesler wharf, if agreeable, and if not, Capt. Gillmore will sell or rent his wharf, the best in the city. The latter wharf will most likely be used, as Captain Gilmore is largely interested in the company. I do not know whether we can buy the City of Seattle and the City of Kingston. T. F. Oakes wrote me last July that the company would sell these boats for what they cost delivered on the Sound. I bought one and built the other and with everything aboard as delivered here they are well worth the money."

To-Night
At Russell & McDonald's.

The Doors Closed.

It was announced this afternoon that the Young Men's Christian Association would close its doors to-night permanently. The institution has had financial trouble during the last year, and despite the superhuman efforts of those in charge the affairs could not be satisfactorily adjusted. News of its closing will be heard with regret. The good work accomplished since its organization must be cheering to all interested. What will be done in future is hard to say.

PERSONAL.

J. Gerhard Tiarks went up to Koksilah this afternoon.

C. E. Peabody came up from Port Townsend this morning.

U. S. Consul Myers returned from the Sound this morning.

R. Drainey was a passenger from the north by the Danube.

Charles A. Rattray leaves to-morrow for Seattle to spend Christmas.

Theodore Robinson came down from the north on the steamer Danube.

M. P. Benton is now the Puget Sound representative of the Burlington route.

George Morphy leaves in the morning for Port Townsend, where he will spend Xmas.

Revs. Reid and Webb, the evangelists, were pasengers from the Sound this morning.

Mrs. E. J. Palmer of Chemainus and Mrs. Snow Everett registered at the Driard last evening.

D. W. Gillies, general manager of the B. C. Cattle Co., returns to Vancouver in the morning.

George S. Taylor, general agent passenger department of the C.R.&P., B.C.R.&N. and M.&St.L. railways, has resigned, and E. J. Waugh, well known here, will in future direct the business in the northwest.

"SWEETHEARTS AND WIVES,"

Mothers and sisters must be remembered at Xmas, and there is nothing so suitable as the "rings, jewels, gauds, conceits," such as Pennock & Lowe, the jewellers, are showing and at such moderate prices.

SOCIETIES.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Sunset lodge met Tuesday and transacted routine business.

Victoria lodge at its meeting Thursday night conferred ranks on several candidates.

Far West on Friday night conferred the ranks of page and knight.

Arrangements have been completed for the Pythian ball to be held on the 29th of the present month. The decorations will be superior to anything ever seen in Victoria. Tickets are being disposed of very fast and it promises to be a great success.

Sunset lodge, K. of P., have appointed a committee of three to make arrangements for a series of social entertainments during the coming year.

It is intended that a number of the supreme lodge officers of A. O. U. W. will visit Victoria immediately after the session of the supreme lodge, which will meet in San Francisco in June, 1894. Victoria and British Columbia lodges will prepare for a welcome to the province of the highest officers of the order.

ANCIENT ORDER OF FORESTERS.

The B. C. Circle, No. 118, Companions of the Forest, will hold a social and dance next Wednesday evening in Philharmonic hall. During the evening the "hoop drill" will be repeated by request, and a number of songs and recitations will be rendered. Admission, 25 cents.

The next meeting of Court Vancouver will be held on the third Monday in January, 1894, when the election of officers will take place.

Court Robin Hood meet next Thursday evening in Victoria West hall.

Sullivan lodge, A.O.U.W., last evening elected officers as follows: P. M. W., G. Phillips; M. W. Alexander Stewart; Foreman, J. W. Flemming; Overseer, D. D. Graham; Recorder, W. Berridge; Financier, J. Scowcroft; Receiver, H. H. McDonald; Trustees, W. H. Snider, J. E. Phillips and M. Gregor. One proposition for membership was received.

To Night
At Russell & McDonald's.

The End.

To-morrow night ends the great sale of toys and Xmas gifts at Russell & McDonald's, opposite the iron church, Douglas street.

Holiday Goods

Just look at the "Lansdowne House" windows and see the very latest novelties in silk handkerchiefs, lace handkerchiefs, gloves, feather boas, furs, purses, linen handkerchiefs, jackets, umbrellas, dress stuffs, silks, wool shawls all marked at "bed rock prices." During this week the store will remain open until 9 p. m. John Partidge, 86 Yates st.

Everybody Suffers Pain.

It is the result of violation of nature's laws. Perry Davis has done much to allay the suffering of the people by giving them out of nature's storehouse a "balm for every wound." Such is the Pain Killer; it stops pain almost instantly, is used both internally and externally, and is of all other pain remedies the oldest and best. New Size Big Bottle, 25c.

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Send 25 "Sunlight" soap wrappers (wrapper bearing the words "Why does a Woman Look Old Sooner Than a Man?") to Lever Brothers, Limited, 43 Scott street, Toronto, Ont., and you will receive by post a pretty picture, free from advertising and well worth framing. This is an easy way to decorate your home. The soap is the best in the market, and will only cost 1c postage to send in the wrappers, if you leave the ends open. Write your address carefully

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Ladies' and Gents' Silk Umbrellas, sterling silver and other mounts.

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A SCOURGE MORE TO BE DREADED THAN CHOLERA.

Medical Science Powerless to Prevent Its Spread—It is Again Sweeping Over Canada With Great Severity—How Its Evil Effects Can Best be Counteracted—Only Prompt Measures Can Ensure Safety.

It is stated on high medical authority that an epidemic of la grippe is more to be feared than an outbreak of cholera. The latter disease can be controlled and the danger can be reduced to the minimum. But not so with la grippe. Medical science has not yet fathomed its mysteries and is powerless to prevent its spread. Three years ago an epidemic of la grippe swept over this country, leaving death and shattered constitutions in its wake, and now once more it has appeared in epidemic form; not so severe, perhaps, as on the former occasion, but with sufficient violence to cause grave alarm and to warn the prudent to take prompt measures to resist its inroads.

When, a few months ago it was announced that cholera had broken out in Grimsby, one of England's important seaports, it was feared that it would reach this continent, yet this once dreaded scourge was checked and exterminated with a loss of not more than half a dozen lives. That la grippe is more to be dreaded than cholera is shown by the fact that in London last week upwards of a hundred deaths were due to this trouble, and medical science is powerless to prevent its spread, and can do nothing more than relieve those stricken with the disease. At the present moment thousands of Canadians are suffering from la grippe, and the misery it is causing would be difficult to estimate. Even when the immediate symptoms of the disease disappear it too frequently leaves even the most robust constitution shattered. The after effects of la grippe are perhaps more dangerous than the disease itself, and assume many forms, such as extreme nervousness, distressing headache, pains in the back, loss of appetite, depression of spirits, shortness of breath on slight exertion, swelling of the limbs, an indisposition to exertion, a feeling of constant tiredness, partial paralysis, and many other distressing symptoms. In removing the after effects of la grippe or for fortifying the system to withstand its shock, no remedy has met with as great success as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They rebuild the blood, restore shattered nerves, and place the sufferer in a condition of sound health. In proof of these statements we produce a few letters speaking in the strongest and most positive terms as to the value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in cases of la grippe or influenza.

Mr. George Rose, Rednersville, Ont., says: "I am well to-day and do not hesitate giving Dr. Williams' Pink Pills the credit of saving my life. I had three attacks of la grippe and was so reduced in flesh and strength I could hardly stand alone. I had no appetite. I could not sleep because my legs and feet became badly swollen and cramped. The pain was at times so violent that I could not refrain from screaming, and I would tumble about in bed and long for day to come. If I attempted to get up and walk I was apt to fall from dizziness. I took medicine from the doctor, but it did not help me, and I was so discouraged that I did not think I could live more than a few months, when one day I read in the paper of the cure of a man whose symptoms were like mine. I sent for a box of Pink Pills, and by the time it was gone there was an improvement. I continued the use of the pills, found that I could now get a good night's sleep, and the cramps and pains which had formerly made my life miserable had disappeared, and I felt better than I had in four years. I know it was Pink Pills that brought about the change, because I was taking nothing else. I have taken in all seven boxes, and I feel age."

Capt. James McKay, Tiverton, N. S., says: "I had la grippe about three years ago and that tied me up pretty well. I wasn't fit to take charge of a ship, so sailed south as far as Milk river, Jamaica, as nurse for an invalid gentleman. The weather was simply melting and I used to lie on the deck at night, and in my weakened condition got some sort of fever. When I reached home I was completely used up and continued to get worse until I could hardly move about. At times my limbs would become numb with a tingling sensation as though a thousand needles were being stuck into me. Then my eyesight began to fail. It was difficult for me to distinguish persons at a distance. My face became swollen and drawn and my eyes almost closed. The doctors could do nothing for me. I suffered terribly, was only a burden to my friends, and actually longed for death, which all thought was in store for me. About this time the statement of a man down in Cape Breton came to my notice. He attributed his cure to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I thought there might be a chance for me. I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and soon found that they were helping me, and their continued use put me on my feet again, and I went to work after months of enforced idleness, to the great astonishment of my acquaintances, who never expected to see me around again. I feel it my duty to advise the use of Pink Pills by people who are run down or suffer from the effects of any chronic ailment. They saved my life, and you may be sure I am grateful."

John W. Boothe, Newcombe Mills, Ont., writes: Words cannot express the gratitude I feel for the great good I have received from the use of your Pink Pills. I had my full share of la grippe, and it left me in a weak and debilitated condition. My nerves were unstrung, and I was unable to hold anything, such as a saucer of tea, in my hands without spilling it. I had terrible pains in my head and stomach, and although I consulted a good physician, I derived no benefit. I made up my mind to use your Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I now look upon this decision as an inspiration, so great is the benefit I have derived from the use of this marvellous remedy. My pains have vanished, my nerves are strengthened, and I am feeling better than I have done before in years.

Mr. W. A. Marshall, principal of the Clementsport, N.S., Academy, says: I had a bad attack of la grippe, which left me weak, nervous and badly used up. I suffered almost continually with terrible headaches, backache and pains through the body. I tried many remedies without receiving any benefit until I began using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and the use of seven boxes has made me like a new man, as I am now as strong as I was before my sickness. I can heartily recommend them to others so afflicted."

Mr. B. Crouter, Warkworth, Ont., brother of Rev. Darius Crouter, who some years ago represented East Northumberland in the house of commons, says: "Two years ago I had an attack of la grippe which nearly cost me my life. My legs and feet were continually cold and cramped, and I could get little or no sleep at night, and you can understand what a burden life was to me. One day I read of a remarkable cure by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I made up my mind to give them a trial. When I was using the pills there was such a numbness in my feet that I could not feel the floor when I stepped on it. As I continued the use of the pills this disappeared; the feeling returned to my limbs, the cramps left me, I felt as though new blood were coursing through my veins, and I can now go to bed and sleep soundly all night. When I get up in the morning, instead of feeling tired and depressed, I feel thoroughly refreshed, and all this wonderful change is due to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I believe Pink Pills have no equal for building up the blood, and I strongly recommend them to all sufferers, or to any who wish to fortify the system against disease."

Scores of other equally strong recommendations might be quoted, but the above will suffice to prove the undoubted efficacy of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in removing all the evil effects of la grippe or influenza, and those who have in any degree suffered from this dangerous malady should lose no time in fortifying the system by the judicious use of Pink Pills. They are the only remedy that strike at the root of the trouble and thoroughly eradicate its bad effects. Ask for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and do not be persuaded to try something else. Sold by all dealers or sent by mail, post paid, on receipt of 50 cents a box, or six boxes for $2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., or Schenectady, N.Y.

A Kirkintilloch Worthy.

On Saturday following the third of December, 1861, a small but impressive cortege wended its way up the slope from Luggie Bridge at Oxgang and entered the "Auld Aisle Burying Ground," Kirkintilloch. The wintry day, says a writer of that time, had been lowering, but the hour of the funeral was brightened with the gleams of clear sunshine, "and, in the midst of many regrets, yet some soothings, all that was mortal of David Gray was laid deep in the mould." Four years later, in the beginning of May, 1865, a similar ceremony was conducted in the same ground and at the same grave. On this occasion also was laid deep in the mould all that was mortal of David Gray, the father of the poet. Among the sincere mourners at both these funerals was a man whose mortal remains have also just been laid to rest deep in the mould of the Auld Aisle. This was Mr. Adam Bell, the oldest resident on the estate of Gartshore, who died in his 94th year. Mr. Bell was a man of great moral worth and peculiar mental brightness. His absolute probity and practical piety did not prevent him from being the possessor of a fine genial nature. It has been well said of him by a writer in the Kirkintilloch Herald that "he had a large fund of rich, pawky, Scottish humor, which he brought into play when he was giving his reminiscences of 'auld lang syne.'"

Mr. Bell belonged to the original Secession church, and was for about half a century an elder in the Kirkintilloch congregation, where he sat under and survived not fewer than half a dozen pastors. He had seen much in his time to make him pause and think, and think again. But he could be serious without being sour, and happy without the least danger of being unholy. A hundred secession churches could not have crushed out the large humorous humanity of the man. He came from the east, and settled as a shoemaker in Glenconner, on the Gartshore estate, in 1819, and from that date onward for sixty years he conducted a reputable and successful business. It was said of him that "he put his honest soul into the product of his hands"—a product that would have pleased Thomas Carlyle and John Ruskin. But while Adam Bell was never above his work he came to be engaged in work that was in a sense, above it. He was much liked by Captain Murray-Gartshore, while that gentleman owned the estate, and became, in fact, his "almoner and missionary." He went about doing good among the needy and distressed, who required not merely material help, but the soothing and the lifting inspiration of a sympathetic mind. For this kind of work Adam Bell was one of the most rarely endowed of common men. But, indeed, he was no common man; and his gifts of thought and language were quite remarkable within his sphere. We have mentioned Mr. Bell's presence at the funerals of the two Grays, younger and elder. We now add that he assisted in conducting the services on those occasions, and those who were present and still survive must remember his wonderful power in presenting and drawing out the themes suggested by the occasion—those chiefly of life, death and immortality, and every word uttered in those fine, subdued and sympathetic Anglo-Doric tones which captivate the Scottish ear and melt the Scottish heart.

But even Adam Bell's own time came, long as he had lingered. He had been a tenant under four different lairds—two Gartshores and two Whitelaws, the late Mr. Whitelaw, M. P., and his son, the present laird—and it was fitting that he, of all men in the parish, should see the grandest old man on his estate laid in the mould of the Auld Aisle, as Adam Bell had seen buried the two Grays, the gentle poet and his not less gentle father. There are no doubt many faithful tenants on the Gartshore esate, but Mr. Whitelaw cannot hope to have another Adam Bell, who was the figure of a century.—Glasgow Herald.

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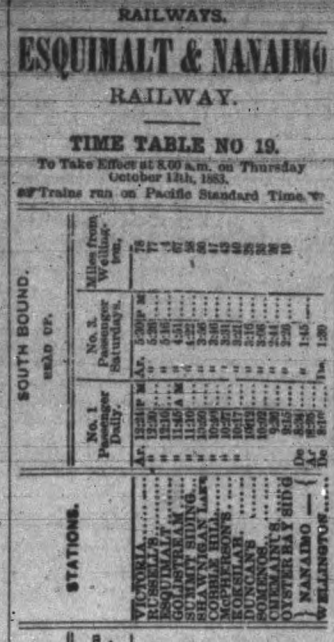

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It Might Have Been.

A STORY FOR CHRISTMASTIDE.

Of all the numerous ills that hurt our peace;
That press the soul, or ring the mind with anguish,
Beyond comparison the worst are those,
That to our folly or our guilt we owe.
—Burns.

CHAPTER I.

One boisterous winter afternoon I started from the city to walk to my suburban home, some two miles south of London bridge. The wind had been working itself up into a furious rage all day, whirling round corners and up alleys, banging shutters and ill-fastened doors, swinging signboards, dismounting various specimens of high art from their places over shop fronts, eddying along roadways in an eccentric waltzing style peculiar to itself, then as suddenly rushing, with a shriek of delight at the mischief it was doing, upon the unhappy creatures whose ill-fortune led them in its way; whisking off hats and caps, displacing bonnets, tearing those tender fabrics backwards until their strings formed impromptu garotters around the delicate throats of their wearers; disarranging with the rudest violence the habiliments of female pedestrians, tearing expanded umbrellas from unwary hands and bearing them up and away, until rescued by their breathless owners in various states of dilapidation; improvising hat hunts, to the delight of impish street boys; overturning fruit and oyster stalls, despite the precautions of their proprietors. Chimney pots fled before it to the protection of their parent earth; top bricks of chimneys were no longer the impossible things alluded to so often by nursery guardians; tiles and slates came down spitefully to the extreme danger of all beneath. In a terrible tempest indeed had Eolus shown himself that day. He had most probably travelled a great distance since his awakening and very likely his temper had been ruffled whilst crossing the territories of our neighbors over the water, so that, quitting them in disgust, he had flown to vent his anger upon us. Early in the afternoon there was a feeble attempt on the part of a sick-looking cloud to make things look somewhat more seasonably respectable below by depositing its burden of snow around and about the smoke-grimed city; but, after some hours' striving, it gave up the matter in despair, for fast as the snow came down it was borne up and away again, nobody knew where. Very possibly some of the flakes may have returned to their parent cloud and informed it of their reception, for very soon it ceased snowing and the cloud bore away far west to seek a more congenial welcome, and the wind laughed its angry, reckless laugh and worked away with increasing might to do all the ill it could. But little cared I for the elemental strife around me as I paddled along with closely-buttoned ulster and hat pressed tightly down. I was cold, tired and hungry. No! I had been hungry, but appetite had left me, for I was thoroughly out of sorts, and the reason was my mind was ill at ease. I had some twelve months previously, been induced to sign my name jointly with an old friend, and school fellow to a document by which we became securites for the repayment of six hundred pounds, borowed by a mutual friend, Stephen Foster, from a loan society, for the purpose of starting him in a business which had been suddenly offered to him on very advantageous terms. Foster had hitherto borne the best of chareters for steadiness and business capabilities. He was, moreover, well connected, an only son of a sufficiently well-to-do father, who, he assured me, would not allow us to suffer by any misfortune which might occur, although his capital was then sunk in securities which could not be reached at the moment. In short, we, that is Frederick Bowman and I, John Welling, had been ever since the slaves of that miserable piece of stamped paper, for we had only too soon been made aware that Foster had been deceived as to the amount of business likely to be done in his shop, and he had once or twice hinted that his father had been a heavy loser by the failure of a bank. Yet, withal, he had always spoken lightly of the borrowed money, giving us to understand that he could, as he termed it, always square that off when the time came. But the dread of the liability had clung to us, and again and again Bowman and I had consulted as to how we could get clear of the affair, without coming to any satisfactory conclusion. The morning before, however, Bowman had heard something about Foster's affairs, which caused him to call on him. He then learned that the business had declined to such an extent that he was in sore straits. Indeed, not only was there no prospect of his being able to meet his engagements, but he was in arrears for the interest on the borrowed money. Why didn't he mention all this before? Oh, what was the use; besides something might turn up. He had an uncle who was pretty warm, and a bachelor, too; he should ask him for assistance, though the old chap was rather touchy and might cut up rough. In fact, Bowman came away with the conviction that we were not unlikely to be called upon to pay both principal and interest. To Bowman this would be but a temporary inconvenience, he being unmarried and in a very good condition. He had also money in the Funds more than sufficient to cover his share of the threatened loss. But to me the blow came with treble force, since I had a wife and little ones to share the consequences of whatever trouble my folly might cause. But the worst, the worst of all was this: I had not told my wife aught of my surety-ship. She was ill when 'twas done, and somehow ever since I had shrunk from telling her, though hitherto it had been my custom to share with my dear partner all my cares and hopes, as well as my joys, ever finding her advice the truest, her consolation the sweetest. How tell her now that the worst was at hand? No wonder that I passed along regardless of the preparations for Christmas in the various shops. How could I enter into any thoughts of festivity at such a time? No criminal at the bar of justice ever felt more guilty and humbled than I now did, as with hesitating hand I rang at my own door bell.

Divine tobacco, which from east to west,
Cheers the tar's labor and the Moslem's rest.

CHAPTER II.

"So it is you, dear! Why, I thought it could not be you with such a feeble ting." "Here's father! Here's Fada!" cry two merry voices, and my knees are clasped by the tiny arms of one, her lips held up for a kiss, whilst the other, mounting with difficulty a chair, flings her arms around my neck. Baby boy, too, crows his welcome, and tries to spring from his mother's arms.

Away with damp, heavy ulster and iron-rimmed hat. It might as well be iron, so hard and heavy it feels. Off with my tight, uncomfortable boots, never so tight before, and slipping my cramped feet into warm slippers, brought by thoughtful Menie from the fireside, I sink with a sigh into my comfortable easy chair.

"What is the matter, John? I'm sure something has happened," and my dear wife's loving eyes look anxiously into mine, as though to read therein the cause of my disquiet. Mine could not endure that look. With a peevish exclamation I wheel my chair closer to the fender and mutter something about headache and worry. "Hush! Father's head aches; and the little feet patter gently downstairs to the kitchen, where their prattling may not disturb me. With quiet haste tea is prepared, of which I listlessly partake, endeavoring the while to swallow that lump in my throat which won't allow me to pour forth my trouble and share it with my dear Jeanie, whose affectionate enquiries as to my headache and what might have caused it meet with but short replies. No! I can't tell her yet. By and by, perhaps. But, oh! what an idiot, what a villain I have been, thus to risk so much for a mere acquaintance. What was Foster to me or mine; what did I know of his real character? A kind action, indeed! Kind to whom? Not to my family, on whom it will most likely bring ruin; not even true kindness to Foster, and doubtless if I had made, as I ought to have done, enquiry as to his private character and the opinion his intimates had of his propects, I should have found out quite sufficient to open my eyes to his defects. Blind, easy led fool that I have been! Would that I had never known the name of Foster! In such self-recrimination did I pass a short interval while the table was being cleared. Then whilst my wife busied herself with her nursery concerns I reach down my favorite meerschaum, and amidst the clouds of tobacco smoke strive to forget my trouble. Some seek forgetfulness of misery or care in drink, others turn to opium and other deadly drugs for the same purpose, but in my opinion nothing can compare with the equally effective and far less hurtful tobacco. I have read, and from experience know it to be true, that no one can properly enjoy a pipe unless they see the smoke; and it is impossible to keep one's thoughts fixed upon any one subject long whilst watching the vagaries of tobacco smoke. Thus it was with me now. By degrees my thoughts, imperceptibly, became less fixed upon my impending trouble, and by degrees a sensation almost approaching to comfort stole over me. With each draw of my pipe my heaviness of heart decreased, until at last my interest became unconsciously absorbed by the smoke, as slowly and placidly it ascended around my head, now curling into rings and spirals, then wavering for a moment wreathe-like around me, gradually evanishing as it spread ceilingwards; and I watch each cloud listlessly, almost dreamily, as I lean back in my old easy chair.

"Rat! tat! tat!" and a loud knocking at the street door causes me to spring up as though electrified. My pipe falls unheeded on the rug, and I listen to a strange voice asking to see me. A moment's pause, then Bett, or servant, tapps at the door with "Please, sir, you're wanted!"

"Come in, Betty; who is it?" I ask, dreading to hear the answer.

"It's a gentleman, sir; leastways he's got beautiful things on; but I don't think he is a gentleman."

Without waiting to inquire any further as to the appearance of my visitor, though full of misgiving, I enter our parlor, and was hardly surprised to find a showily dressed, vulgar-looking person, in whose physiognomy and redundancy of jewelry I recognized a sheriff's officer. He cast himself with vulgar freedom on to the sofa, regardless of my poor Jeanie's cushions and carefully arranged antimacassars. Rising leisurely as I entered ere I could speak, he exclaimed:

"Ah, Mr. Welling, surprised to see me, I dare say; very sorry; unpleasant business, but I've got a writ against you, three hundred odd, owing to Bird-in-Hand Loan Society."

"But I've not touched the money," I exclaimed, stupidly and despairingly. "It is no debt of mine!"

"Oh, it's all right, Mr. Welling; we know what we're about. You'll just come with me, please, and I'll put you up for the night in as nice a lodging as there is in London, and you'll be able to arrange the matter to-morrow."

"What!" I cried, horrified at the thought of leaving my dear ones so suddenly. "Do you really mean that I am to be taken at once?"

"Right you are, sir; now's the time, and nothing like it. The fact is, in cases such as this we cannot afford to lose sight of our clients unless good bonds are given; gents in such quandaries often having an unaccountable hankering after the seaside, which if they gets to we lose sight of them altogether."

This explanation the man offered with an evident desire to soothe my startled feelings. I saw that there was no alternative. Go I must. But if possible I will slip out without my poor wife's knowledge, and will send a note to her from the sponging house, to which I suppose I am to be taken. With the calmness of despair I now called Betty in a low tone.

"Where's your mistress?"

"Upstairs, sir, 'cause Charlie's crying."

"Well, Betty, I'm going out with this gentleman on business. You can tell Mrs. Welling when she comes down."

Then hastily putting on my boots, Inverness and hat, I bade Betty close the door after us quietly, and stepping out found a cab waiting at the door. Another moment and the cab is in motion. Casting a hasty glance of farewell up at the window of the children's room, I sink back in the corner of the cab in silent grief. What will poor Jeanie think; how can I tell her; how break the terrible disgrace to her? If I write to-night stating the truth, she will. I know, suffer agonies until she sees me; but how otherwise can I explain my absence? I shall tell a lie and say that I am ordered on a night journey. No! I have lived a lie too long to her already. She shall know all, and that this night. Having thus resolved I became more equal to the situation, and as the cab rattled on a strange calmness came over me. Of one thing I felt assured, namely, that as soon as the heads of our firm heard of my arrest, an instant dismissal would follow; so that, even supposing an improbability, that the money for my release should be forthcoming, still my character would be more or less affected. Whilst thus meditating on my position, the oily-looking creature at my side kept up a continual chatter of remarks and comments upon the science of arresting in general and my individual case in particular. According to his opinion, I had fallen into the very best hands that I could possibly could have done, and, without seeking to praise himself, he felt bound to say that no neater hand at a "take" could be found round London than he, Joshua Simmonds. But here we were stopped by a sudden jolt and jerk. I was in the act of falling from my seat when a hand caught my arm and a cheerful voice exclaimed:

"Come on, Welling, old fellow! Ain't you awake yet. I've been shouting into your ears until I'm hoarse, while you kept moaning some unintelligible nonsense about disgrace and Joshua Somebody. Ha! ha! ha!" And Bowman, for it was he, laughed heartily at my scared appearance.

"Was it only a dream, then," I murmured, looking at my still beslippered feet and then at the cheerful face before me.

"A dream? I spec's it was, though I have not the least idea of what it was about."

"But," continued Bowman, "I've good news. Foster's affair is all right as far as we are concerned. It struck me directly after I left you this morning that I had better call on the uncle he mentioned. Well, I did so, and found the old gentleman to be a thoroughly good-hearted man of business. He was very indignant at his nephew's conduct, and said that he would at once secure us against any loss through our kindness. He went with me there and then to the loan office, and was readily accepted in our stead. Having settled that, he made me accompany him to a restaurant, and there we lunched as I don't often do. He made me promise to let you know at once that all was right and to say how much he appreciated our kindness to his nephew. But why need I say more. We passed indeed a happy evening, Bowman, Jeanie and I. My dear wife soon learnt all, and not one reproach did she speak or look, only chiding me in loving words for hiding from her that which made me unhappy. And when Bowman left us it was with the promise to join our little family circle on Christmas Day, when we had a right good Merry Christmas and wished each other a truly Happy New Year.

J. J. BARBER.

Victoria, Dec. 23, 1893.

THE HIGHEST AWARD.

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The Royal Baking Powder has the enviable record of having received the highest award for articles of its class—greatest strength, purest ingredients, most perfectly combined—wherever exhibited in competition with others. In the exhibitions of former years, at the Centennial, at Paris, Vienna, and at the various state and industrial fairs where it has been exhibited, judges have invariably awarded the Royal Baking Powder the highest honors.

At the recent World's Fair the examinations for the baking powder awards were made by the experts of the chemical division of the agricultural department at Washington. The official report of the tests of the baking powders which were made by this department for the specific purpose of ascertaining which was the best, and which has been made public, shows the leavening strength of the Royal to be 160 cubic inches of carbonic gas per ounce of powder. Of the cream of tartar baking powders exhibited at the fair, the next highest in strength thus tested contained but 133 cubic inches of leavening gas. The other powders gave an average of 111. The Royal, therefore, was found of 20 per cent. greater leavening strength of its nearest competitor and 44 per cent. above the average of all the other tests. Its superiority in other respects, however, in the quality of the food it makes as to fineness, delicacy and wholesomeness, could not be measured by figures.

It is these high qualities, known and appreciated by the women of the country for so many years, that have caused the sales of the Royal Baking Powder, as shown by statistics, to exceed the sales of all other baking powders combined.

American Money.

New York, Dec. 22.—A better feeling prevailed in stock circles this morning, due to the fact that last night's rumors of additional failures of small down town banks did not materialize. Prices moved up 2 1-4 for Lackawanna to 160, and for the general list 1-4 to 1 1-8 per cent.—the latter in General Electric. After this speculation relapsed into dullness and the changes either way for a time were confined to the fractions. After midday the market became more active and at the same time there was an increased disposition to sell. Rumors of a receivership for the Atchison and the heavy decrease in the gross earnings of the Northwestern, assisted those operations for lower prices. In the last hour the "bears" paid special attention to the Western Union, the Graugers, Chicago Gas, Sugar and Missouri Pacific. The dealings continued to be strictly of a professional character, although the rumore about the Atchison have brought out some long stocks and bonds in the company. Other issues are tolerably well held notwithstanding the efforts of the "bears" to bring about a liquidation. The market closed weak at about the lowest prices of the day. The total sales were 221,640 shares. Closing bids: Atchison, 14 3-4; Burlington & Quincy, 75 1-4; Canada Southern, 50 5-8; Canadian Pacific, 71 1-4; Cleveland, Cincinnati & Columbus, 35 3-4; Delaware & Lackawanna, 15; Erie, 14 1-4; Wells Fargo, 125; Great Northern preferred, 102; Lake Shore, 122 1-2; Louisville & Nashville, 47 1-2; Missouri Pacific, 21 3-8; Central Pacific, 18 1-4; New York Central, 98 1-2; New York & New England, 19 1-2; Northern Pacific, 3 3-4; Northern Pacific preferred, 19; Northwestern, 99 5-8; Oregon Navigation, 26; Oregon Improvement, 13; Rock Island, 65; Southern Pacific, 19 3-4; St. Paul, 57 7-8; Union Pacific, 19; Western Union, 82 1-8; Reading, 18 1-2; Pacific Mail, 13 1-4; Texas Pacific, 7. Bar silver, 69 1-2c. per ounce. Money on call, 1 to 1 1-2; foreign exchange, sterling, 4.85 1-2 for 60 days; 4.88 on demand. Union Pacific firsts of 1896, 105 1-4; Central Pacific firsts of 1895, 105 3-4 bid.

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IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD

Gorgeous Ceremonies at the Roman Catholic Cathedral—The Church of England, Methodists, Presbyterians and Baptists Will Hold Appropriate Services.

In Victoria the great feast of Christmas will be appropriately observed. For weeks the choirs of the city churches have been practicing for Christmas music and busy hands have been decorating the interior of the places of worship. The services in the churches are given hereunder

An army of young ladies has been busy all day decorating St. John's church. Evergreens and red berries have been used in profusion and tastefully placed where they will be seen to the best advantage. A lattice work of fir and holly has been placed in the front of the altar and other portions of the church have been prettily decorated. The font is hidden in boughs of holly and fir and bunches of red berries. The choir has been practicing for some time for the special services to be held tomorrow morning and evening and again on Monday morning.

St. Barnabas church, of which Rev. G. W. Taylor is pastor, has been prettily decorated. The choir rail has been covered with fir boughs, with occasional bunches of red berries. The services to-morrow will be held at the usual hours, special anthems and carols being sung in the evening. On Monday morning the special services will be repeated.

Rev. Solomon Cleaver will preach his Christmas sermon at the Metropolitan church to-morrow morning. In the evening there will be special music by the choir under the leadership of E. Buck. The subject for Rev. Cleaver's evening sermon will be, "Joseph makes himself known to his brethren and sends up to Canaan for his poor relations." The order of the musical services is:

Morning—Anthem, "Send Out Thy Light," Gounod; anthem, with tenor solo and chorus, "This is the Day," W. E. Buck.

Evening—Anthem, with soprano solo and chorus, "O Come All Ye Faithful," Novello; "Te Deum," Lloyd; bass solo, "Thy King," Roduey, W. E. Buck. The usual Christmas hymns will also be sung.

St. Paul's church, Victoria-West, Rev. D. Macrae, pastor, will have special services Sunday morning and evening. The choir, under the leadership of Alexander Moir, has been for some time practicing selections suitable for the time. The singing will be a special part of the services.

At St. Andrew's Roman Catholic church the Christmas services will be very impressive, but not so much so as those of last year. Bishop Lemmens is still in Europe. Instead of a solemn pontifical mass that would have been celebrated had he been present, a solemn high mass will be said, but the music will be of the best, the "crib" will be as pretty as usual, and the decorations will not be less attractive. C. Lombard, choir leader, has been rehearsing with the choir, and those who attend the services will enjoy a musical treat. For the past week the ladies of the congregation have been spending every moment of time they could spare in the decoration of the church. The "crib" is symbolical of the birth of the infant Savious in the stable at Bethlehem, when his parents, driven forth from the inns of that inhospitable city of Judea, were directed by an unseen hand to the spot. The stable will be there, the ox and the ass that shared the roof with the new-born babe, and the manger and the figure of the child Jesus. Kneeling by the side of the manger will be seen the Virgin Mary and St. Joseph, and in the distance the shepherds keeping watch over their flocks. The Magi, with their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh will also be represented, and the star that directed them to the abode of the Redeemer will twinkle overhead. At the side of the "crib" will be a donation box. It is put there to remind visitors that Christ was born poor and lowly, and that in his preaching in after life he said "the poor ye shall always have with you."

When the clock strikes the first stroke of midnight the priests, dressed in the magnificent vestments peculiar to the Roman Catholic church, will ascend the high altar and begin the sacrifice of the mass, the words, "Gloria in Excelsis Deo," intoned by the celebrant, will be taken up by the choir. The congregation will again be reminded of the salutation of the choir of the heavenly host to the shepherds of Judea as they announced the birth of the Redeemer of mankind. The celebrant of midnight mass will be Rev. Faither Nicolaye; assistant priest, Rev. Father Van Nevel; and sub-deacon, Father Laterme. Father Nicolaye will preach on the feast of Christmas. There will also be masses at the following hours: 8, 8.30, 9 and 10.30. The last mass will be a solemn high mass. Father Laterme will be celebrant; Father Nicolaye, deacon; and Father Van Nevel, subdeacon. Father Verbeke will preach. The following is the musical programme:

Kyrie	Cuno.
Gloria	Cuno.
Credo	Cerri.
Sanctus	Generalis.
Benedictus	Generalis.
Verbum Supernum—Trio ladies voices	Rossini
Noel—Solo and chorus	Adam.
Adeste Fidelis—Solo and chorus	Bishop Lutens.
Agnus Dei—Solo, duett and chorus	Marzo.

Mrs. Lombard, organist.

At Esquimalt Roman Catholic church there will also be decorations and a "crib." Masses will be celebrated there at 8.30, 9 and 10.

At the Victoria West Methodist church to-morrow morning and evening Rev. George H. Morden will conduct special services. The order of services follow:

Morning—Doxology; Hymn No. 140; Prayer; Solo, The Star of Bethlehem, (Adams), Hanson Firth; Lesson, Old Testament, Isaiah LXI; Hymn No. 142; Lesson, New Testament, Luke II, 8-32; Anthem, Peace, good will to men, (Leslie); Sermon, subject, Echoes from Bethlehem; Offertory, Angels from the Realms of Glory, (Oliver); Hymn No. 143; benediction.

Evening—Doxology; Hymn No. 141; Prayer; Solo, Glory to God, (Rotoli), Hanson Firth; Lesson, Old Testament, Isaiah LIII; Hymn No. 111; Lesson, New Testament, Matt. XXII, 34-46, XXIII, 1-12; Anthem, Crown Him Lord of All, (Pollock); Sermon, subject, What Think Ye of Christ? Offertory, Glory to God in the Highest; Hymn No. 115; benediction.

At St. Andrew's Presbyterian church there will be services at 11 in the morning and 7 in the evening. Rev. A. B. Winchester will occupy the pulpit and the following musical programme will be given:

Pastoral—Symphony	Messiah.
Chorus—And the Glory of the Lord	Messiah.
Anthem—Christmas Morn	Gounod.
Anthem—O Zion, that bringest	Stainer.
Solo—O Holy Night	Mrs. McCandless.
Offertoire	Batiste.
Communion	Batiste.
March	Hiu.

Organist and choir master, G. J. Burnett.

Christ Church Cathedral has been decorated by the ladies of the parish. The chancel, pulpit and baptismal font are specimens of artistic work. Evergreens, holly and mistletoe are to be seen in almost every corner of the sacred edifice. A large gilded cross surmounts the decorations of the chancel. Christmas morning at 8 there will be a choral celebration; at 11, matins, and at 5 in the afternoon evensong. Bishop Perrin will preach in the morning. The musical programme will be as follows:

Sunday Morning.

Venite	V. Novello.
Psalms for the day—	
Te Deum	Simper.
Benedictus	Lord Mornington.
Anthem—If we Believe	Simper.
Hymns	260 and 288.

Evensong.

Pro. hymn	Rejoice ye pure in Heart.
Psalms for the day—	
Magnificat	Dr. Woodward.
Nunc Dimittis	J. Turle.
Anthem	Rest be the Lord God of Israel.
Hymn	Thou art coming O my Saviour.

There will be no sermon on Sunday evening, but Christmas carols will be sung.

Christmas Day.

8 a.m.

Hymn	Christians awake, Salute the Happy Morn.
Hymn	And now O Father.

11 a.m.

Pro. hymn	Christians awake, salute the Happy Morn.
Venite	Dr. Crotch.
Psalms	Special.
Te Deum	Kotschmar.
Benedictus	J. Turle.
Anthem	Thus speaketh the Lord of Hosts. Stainer.
Hymn	Hark the herald angels sing.
Hymn	O come all ye faithful.
Kyrie	Mrs. Harpley.
Offertory Solo—Christmas Morn	Gounod
	H. Kent.

At the Reformed Episcopal church choral service will be held Christmas morning at 11 o'clock. Bishop Cridge will preach. The church is gaily decorated with holly, evergreens and mistletoe, the ornamentation of the pulpit and the chancel is very pretty. The music for Christmas day will be Gladstone's Te Deum and the anthems, "Come All Ye Faithful," "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," and "Christians Awake." On Sunday Stainer's "Hosannah in the Highest," and the hymnal, "Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord."

St. Saviour's church, Victoria West, has as usual been prettily decorated for the Christmas services. This evening there will be a communicants' devotional meeting at 8. To-morrow morning at 8 holy communion will be celebrated and at 11 the usual services will be held. At 7 in the evening there will be special psalms, an anthem and carols. Christmas day holy communion will be celebrated at 8 a.m., and at 11 there will be services and holy communion.

The choir of Calvary Baptist church will render special Christmas music at both services to-morrow. Rev. J. E. Coombes will preach, the morning theme being, "The Child Jesus," and the evening, "Jesus the Saviour."

The usual services will be held in the Central Presbyterian church to-morrow, conducted by Rev. P. McF. Macleod. In the evening P. Gordon will sing "The Star of Bethlehem."

The order of services at the Centennial Methodist church, Rev. Joseph Hall, pastor, provides for four services. To-morow morning there will be the usual service at 11, the subject for the pastor's sermon being, "The secret of a happy life." In the evening there will be a short evangelistic address, and after the regular service there will be a service of song, for which the choir has been carefully trained by Clement Rowlands. The congregation will meet again on Monday morning at 11, when the choral service will be rendered by the children. The order of Sunday evening's service is appended:

Con Meth

Hymn	All Hail the Power of Jesu's Name.
Solo and Chorus, "Nazareth," (Gounod)	Mr. Rowlands.
Anthem, "The Earth is the Lord's," (Smith)	Choir.
Solo, "O! Thou That Tellest," (Handel)	Mrs. Rowlands.
Solo, "The Star of Bethelehem," (Adams)	Mr. Rowlands.
Anthem, "Praise Ye the Lord," (Clare)	Choir.
Doxology	

The usual services will be held in the First Presbyterian church to-morrow morning and evening. Rev. Dr. Campbell, the pastor will occupy the pulpit. J. G. Brown, the choirmaster, has arranged for appropriate music.

At Emmanuel Baptist church Rev. McEwen will preach on appropriate subjects.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE

Matters of Interest Going Forward in the Sporting World.

FOOTBALL.

A practice match at Rugby football will be played at Beacon Hill this afternoon.

The Victoria Wanderers went to Wellington this morning to meet the Wellington association players this afternoon for the provincial challenge cup.

VICTORIA V. PORTLAND.

The members of the Victoria football team leave for Portland to play against the leading team of that city on Christmas day. The Portland men have defeated all the Northwest clubs in the collegiate game, but they have agreed to play the English game with Victoria. The team from this city will not be as strong as usual.

LACROSSE.

MEETING OF DELEGATES.

The Victoria Lacrosse Club has been invited to send a delegate to a meeting at New Westminster on Tuesday next to consider the advisability of sending two teams to San Francisco to play two games during the midwinter fair. The meeting will probably be postponed until after the holidays.

THE RING.

AN AFTERNOON FIGHT.

New York, Dec. 23.—A special from Boston says Charlie Mitchell, the English pugilist, in an interview yesterday expressed himself in favor of meeting Corbett in the ring at Jacksonville in the afternoon instead of the evening of January 25th. It is said Corbett favors this plan.

THE TURF.

CLARA R. SOLD.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 23.—That good performer, Clara R., 2:14 3-4, by Belmont, dam by Cuylo, has been sold by John D. Creighton of this county to B. Decernea of New York for $6,000.

THE DANUBE ARRIVES.

Northern Residents Complain of Poor Mail Service.

The steamer Danube, Captain Meyer, arrived last evening from the north. She called at Vancouver on the way down to bring over a large marine boiler for the Esquimalt marine railway.

When the Danube was at Bella Bella on the 12th of December, it was learned the new American steamer Utopia, bound for Alaska, had gone ashore there the night previous, having dragged her anchor during a heavy snowstorm. The Danube offered assistance to tow her off, but as the wind had moderated and the tide likely to float her, help was declined. The last seen of her was at Fort Simpson on December 16th, where she was waiting for the weather to moderate.

On the Naas river the cannery people complain of not having received any mail from Victoria in five weeks, supposed to be on account of the mail steamer Boscowitz being unable to face the winds blowing there.

At Fort Simpson the people also complain greatly about their poor mail service, the Boscowitz arriving there on the 16th last with mail eleven days from Victoria.

A number of northern residents came down to spend the holidays in Victoria. On the up trip Captain Meyers of the Danube received a handsome Christmas present, accompanied by an address.

The passengers down were: T. H. Robinson, T. Robb and wife, Miss Orwick, John Beeson, C. Reynolds, P. Jacobsen, R. Draney, Mr. Colville, W. A. Walker, T. Cullin, Hugh Grant, H. J. Kirkland, I. Whitworth, W. Shears.

To Night

At Russell & McDonald's.

Asleep on a Railway Car.

Conductor John McHugh, of the Lehigh Valley road, was waked up in his caboose this morning after one of the most perilous rides in his twenty-seven years' experience of railroading, says a Hazelton, Pa., correspondent of the Philadelphia Times. Early this morning his train passed Lizard Creek Junction, only a mile from Weatherly, the stopping point. It was then that McHugh told Aaron Eifert, the brakeman, to cut the caboose loose from the train at the lower end of Weatherly siding, and let the engine take the train to the western end. As instructed, the brakeman, a few moments later, pulled the coupling pin which held the caboose to the train.

Supposing that McHugh would take care of the caboose, Eifert continued up the siding with the train. He noticed shortly after that the caboose was already on the main track and the conductor was not on the platform. A two per cent. grade marks the grade between there and Penn Haven. The trainman realized that he could not possibly catch it, and hasteuing to the telegraph office he notified the operator. Messengers were sent to the different stations down the road with the hope of sidetracking or derailing the runaway car. It was not then known whether McHugh was on the car or not. The Lizard Creek operator reported the car by his station, and the man at Penn Haven was told only in time to catch a glimpse of the car as it shot by his office.

The next office was Packerton, 20 miles below here, where there is a runaway track built for just such an emergency. Fortunately no other trains had passed that point going west, and the operator had time to turn the safety switch. Other trainmen were distributed along the graded track to catch the runaway caboose before it reached the obstruction at the end. A short time after the car dashed over the switch and sped up the incline. Gradually its pace was reduced, and a brakeman boarded it in time to prevent it from striking the obstruction and tumbling down the bank. When he entered the car McHugh was found sitting on a bench sound asleep and totally oblivious of the perilous ride he had had. The man, it appears, had been working for twenty consecutive hours and was played out.

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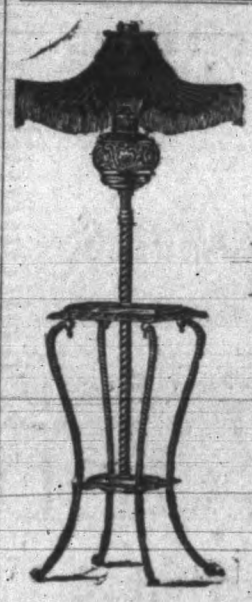

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